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PHARMACY PLAN IS PUT ON HOLD

PLANS to build a community pharmacy outside the main entrance to Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital have been put on hold.

But health bosses are still working to reduce waiting times for patients.

By Heather Large

The £227,000 outpatient pharmacy had been proposed to help reduce the wait for patients to receive medicines and would also provide other services, such as counselling.

Hospital bosses said this week that they were not yet ready to go ahead with the scheme and it would be reviewed again within the next 12 months.

In the meantime, the hospital has made changes to ensure waiting times for patients are kept to a minimum.

Delivered

Specialist prescriptions such as those for cancer patients are being delivered to homes.

Paula Clark, Chief Executive of The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust, which runs the hospital, said they were also looking at whether an existing room at the hospital could be used for the pharmacy instead.

She added: "The trust is currently reviewing its capital plans as part of a strategic review to offer the best care to patients.

"As part of this process the new outpatient pharmacy is due to be reviewed within the next 12 months.

"However, some specialist medicines such, as those for cancer patients, are already being supplied direct to patients' homes, which has reduced the amount of time they spend waiting for medicines.

"An alternative use of existing accommodation at Russells Hall Hospital is also being explored to help improve our patients' experience."

Hospital bosses previously said the pharmacy would enable staff to have more time to help patients understand their prescriptions and also to answer their questions.

It was hoped it would leave the existing pharmacy department to focus just on inpatient prescriptions.

It was expected to create one new job with others to follow.

The pharmacy was expected to be open from 9am to 7pm seven days a week.

Planning permission has already been granted for the scheme by Dudley Council.

That planning application said the location for the new pharmacy was chosen so that patients had a shorter walk to car parks and was close to the main hospital building with its facilities.

The site near the hospital entrance is currently used for cycle parking.

The application said the development follows national NHS surveys, which have shown that there is a need to supply more information and counselling for patients.

State-of-the-art fire station opens



Bluewatch at the new fire station — Kev Atkinson, Paul Morris, Dominic Rose, Jamie Law, Matt Crawford and Temple Jones

IT has served the community for 72 years but now now firefighters have bid a fond farewell to their old station as they moved into a state-of-the-art new base.

Cradley Heath's fire station closed its doors for the final time on Monday before personnel pat and present paraded to the newly-built Haden Cross Fire Station on Barrs Road. It is on the site of former municipal buildings.

Station Commander Marc Hudson said saying goodbye to the old fire station was an emotional experience. However, he added: "Haden Cross will provide modern bespoke fire station and community facilities."

Councillor John Edwards, Chairman of West Midlands Fire and Rescue Authority, served at Cradley Heath station during his 12-year stint as a firefighter. He said: "The move to the new Haden Cross station fulfils the promise we made to the communities of Cradley Heath and Halesowen. We are providing a new community fire station to provide, not just a first class emergency response, but also prevention and protection services to the people we serve."

A community 'open afternoon' will take place at the new station on September 6.

Horgan Homes has submitted a planning application to demolish the former Halesowen station in Hagley Road and build 14 homes.



Cradley Heath fire station

Homes for over-60s on former school site

A MODERN apartment complex offering dozens of homes for the over-60s is being built on the site of a former school in Hagley.

When completed, the development on Park Road will offer 44 apartments for the over-60s

Developer McCarthy & Stone plans to put the homes on the market in February next year.

Staff

The Retirement Living development on Park Road will have of a mix of one and two bedroom apartments for the over 60s. Facilities include a lounge, an on-site restaurant, guest suite, laundry, lift and car park.

There will be a dedicated manager and staff who are on site 24 hours a day.

Gill Sabin, marketing director for McCarthy & Stone, said: "When complete, the apartments will be low maintenance in design and will benefit from modern fittings, good security and will have a number of specialist features.

"We already have a wide portfolio of retirement properties in Worcestershire which have been hugely popular, so we're expecting demand to be high."

The homes are being built on the site of Hagley Middle School.

HarryFest at mall car park

A TWO-DAY festival in honour of a young fundraiser is taking place at Merry Hill shopping centre.

HarryFest is this weekend from 10am to 4pm on the Eat Central car park at the Brierley Hill mall.

Harry from Birmingham died aged 11 from a brain tumour in 2011. He set up the charity Help Harry Help Others and raised more than £600,000 for cancer research. The festival is part of a superhero-themed holiday programme and tickets cost £2.50 on the gate.

Work is about to start on new store

CONSTRUCTION of a new supermarket is to begin 'imminently' following work to clear the site.

Lidl was granted permission to build the store on part of the Duckworth Trading Estate in Stallings Lane, Kingswinford, and earlier this year received further approval to expand the scheme.

Fencing has gone up around the site and signs saying a new store is coming soon.

Jobs

Officials from the supermarket giant said construction is to begin shortly.

The amended application was to incorporate a larger area, taking in further vacant units on the trading estate. A 115-space car park will be created as part of the proposals. The store is expected to create 15 full-time and 25 part-time jobs.

Lidl spokeswoman Nicole Benford said: "The work that has taken place so far is to clear the site. We expect the construction work to begin imminently."

Some traders inn nearby High Street were concerned about the scheme but councillors said they believed the town was 'big enough' to accommodate another supermarket and it would provide 'healthy competition'.

Speed limit cut to 30mph

SPEED limits will be cut on a busy dual carriageway after councillors gave the green light this week.

Plans to reduce the limit in Thorns Road, through Quarry Bank and Lye, from 40mph to 30mph have been approved by Dudley Council bosses in a move that has been welcomed by Stourbridge MP Margot James.

The 30mph limit will cover all of Thorns Road, as well as parts of Pedmore Road in Lye and Merry Hill to cover a 1.5-mile stretch.

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Support for Black Country firms

THE Black Country Chamber of Commerce has secured expert support for local manufacturing companies, with three new programmes put in place through the Black Country Growth Hub.

Export Expert provides manufacturers with expert assistance to help them target export opportunities and then deliver on them.

If a company wants to explore sales opportunities abroad for the first time — or has tried its products in one part of the global market and wants to find other opportunities — the programme makes an expert available for between two and six weeks to guide the company.

"There is work for the company to do, but the problem about expertise and experience has been overcome," said Kevin O'Toole, chief executive of Eurocraft Enclosures in Dudley, and chairman of the Chamber's Manufacturing Links events group.

The second programme will enable local companies to make a step change in performance. The Strategic Management Programme helps senior managers navigate strategy, employee engagement and business processes to boost performance.

The third programme is designed to help manufacturers and other small to medium enterprises make sense of the increasingly diversified financial products market with a series of workshops.

Kevin O'Toole added: "These three programmes represent a significant opportunity."

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Council housing to get a £15m revamp

THOUSANDS of council homes across Dudley will be refurbished in a £15 million project.

Money will be spent upgrading kitchens and bathrooms, repairing roofs, rewiring and installing new central heating.

Empty homes, which need major repair work, will also be brought up to scratch so they can be rented out again. It is hoped that this will help to reduce the waiting list for properties in the borough.

Figures show that at the start of the year there were around 570 'void' houses in Dudley whilst 4,191 people are on the waiting list.

Up to 3,000 properties will be refurbished during the next three years and the scheme will also create jobs for young workers with six apprentices and a graduate being taken on to join the team of contractors.

Contract

Chairman of Dudley Federation of Tenants and Residents Associations, Martin Smith, welcomed the announcement.

He said: "It's always good to see new money being invested in properties.

"We have been saying to the council for some time that money needed to be spent on the void properties, so I am impressed that this is being done. It will make a big difference."

Dudley Council has signed a contract with firms Keepmoat and Lovell to carry out the work. The programme will run at the same times as work is carried out by the council's housing repairs team.

Neil Baxter, regional director for Keepmoat, said: "We've always prided ourselves on our continued commitment to training and apprenticeships.

"Over the next three years we'll be recruiting six apprentices as well as a graduate, and work experience opportunities for local people."

Guards are threatened by patient

A PATIENT who was ejected from a hospital for drunken behaviour returned to threaten security staff with a metal bar.

Matthew Beresford, aged 24, of Byron Street, Pensnett, later went to Brierley Hill police station complaining he had been roughly manhandled by staff.

Beresford was made the subject of a 12-month supervision order and ordered to do 120 hours unpaid community work by Wolverhampton Crown Court. He had pleaded guilty to possessing an offensive weapon at Russells Hall Hospital.

Mr Mark Rees, prosecuting, said on April 21 Beresford went to the hospital as a patient but was escorted from the building due to his drunkenness. He later returned holding a metal pole.

"He was acting aggressively. Security staff were concerned about their safety," said Mr Rees. During a struggle with guards, a fence at the hospital was pushed to the ground.

Miss Laura Culley said Beresford's behaviour was out of character, adding: "His reaction was clouded by what he had to drink."

Beresford was also ordered to pay £250 costs.

From new generation to the old



David Burt's five-year-old daughter Charlotte pays her tribute at Lye war memorial

IT was a deadline which sparked a global conflict and led to the deaths of millions.

Britain had given Germany an ultimatum after their invasion of neutral Belgium. They had until 11pm on August 4, 1914, to make concessions or Britain would declare war. None were made.

One hundred years later, hundreds across Dudley borough and millions around the world were marking this most sombre of centenaries.

In Dudley on Friday night Mayor Councillor Margaret Aston attended a civic service at Top Church.

She said: "The people of Dudley have really taken the Great War anniversary to their hearts."

On Sunday at Christ Church, Lye, there was a wreath laying ceremony. David Burt, 38, of the Boys' Brigade, gave an honour salute while his daughter Charlotte, five, laid a cross.

He said: "They rang the bells of Christ Church 100 times before we started."

Courts are dedicated to a club stalwart

A TENNIS club has opened four new courts in memory of a club stalwart who died after a battle with cancer.

Wollaston Tennis Club, in Stourton, has spent £130,000 on the facilities which have been named the Hanby Courts, in memory of Len Hanby who died two years ago aged 77 and 47 years service to the club.

Mr Hanby and his wife, Janet, had been members of the Wollaston club for nearly half a century, since its move to Prestwood Drive.

Mr Hanby, of Hagley Road, Pedmore, was made a life member of the club in 1997 and served on Staffordshire Lawn Tennis Association Council from 1970 to 2007, acting as its treasurer for eight years and becoming a vice president.

During his time with Wollaston Tennis Club, Mr Hanby served in almost all roles including president, chairman, treasurer and secretary and, despite his illness, was still active on club business in the weeks up to his death in October 2012. He obtained many grants and loans for the club.

The club has also added improved floodlighting to ensure the tennis can be played into the evening.

Arson probe at empty pub

FIRE crews battled to bring a blaze under control at an empty pub in Stourbridge.

The alert was raised in the early hours of Sunday as motorists saw smoke billowing from the Bulls Head in Pedmore Lane.

Firefighters conducted a search of the building and discovered several fires appeared to have been lit around the two-storey brick-built property but found no one. Crews from Stourbridge, Brierley Hill and Cradley attended.

The ground floor was gutted and the cause is being investigated.

Festival of quilts

FINAL preparations are under way for the Festival of Quilts at Birmingham NEC from today to Sunday from 10am each day. It is Europe's leading patchwork and quilting show with around 350 exhibitors. Admission is £5. See www.thefestivalofquilts.co.uk

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Cemetery expansion space for 20 years

WORK to expand Dudley Cemetery to create dozens of new burial plots will start later this year after councillors approved funding for the project.

The council had feared Dudley could run out of plots by the autumn if more space wasn't found. Just 140 plots remained and the situation as was described as 'critical'.

Plans for a £200,000 extension on a former football pitch off Clee Road were drawn up.

The new site will have enough burial space to last approximately 20 years and will include fencing, gates, paths and parking bays. It will include 1,000 plots and will be able to cater for all religions. There will also be 150 cremated remains plots and 140 small plots.

Environment boss Councillor Hilary Bills said: "We are spending up to £200,000 extending the amount of burial space we have in Dudley, to resolve the well publicised shortage we have. The new facility will be able to cater for specific religious needs which is something that is very important to us with the rich diversity we have in the borough."

It was approved at last week's cabinet meeting.

Tunnel plan is delayed again

PLANS to turn the historic Drakelow Tunnels into a museum have hit delays.

Wyre Forest District Council was expected to make a decision this summer on the proposals for the network of wartime tunnels carved out of the sandstone under Kinver Edge.

Officials last week said the 'planning process was still continuing' but no date was set. It is not the first time the project has been hit by delays. A decision was expected in December but was put back after the district council requested more detailed proposals.

Rare orchid find

A SPECIES of rare orchid has been discovered at a Dudley nature reserve.

Wardens at Wren's Nest Nature Reserve found the broad-leaved helleborine orchid on site.

Family activities are held at the reserve every Friday from 10am, starting today.

Relief for traders as town centre roads open

ROADS in Dudley town centre which have been shut for more than six months are to re-open today with the completion of the first phase of a £6.7million regeneration project.

Castle Street and New Street, closed since the start of the year, will open as work on the revamp of Dudley's market place enters the next phase.

Buses will begin operating as normal along both roads and Fisher Street this week.

Closure of the roads, in the heart of the town centre, proved controversial with traders saying it has led to a significant drop in trade. The three roads were closed to traffic to allow work to begin on the first phase.

Stone has been laid on roads and pavements and new parking bays created in Castle Street.

Parking

Disabled parking, a drop off point for park and ride and a motorcycle bay have also been created.

New lighting columns have been been installed along with seating and litter bins.

Work was originally due for completion in May but hit delays due to problems posed by underground pipes and cables.

Some shops along the roads said their trade had been hit hard.

Sofi Hickanbottom, who runs the Sofi's Plaice chip shop in Castle Street, said: "It has hit me very badly.

"A lot of my business is from passing trade and obviously people have not been able to stop outside the shop."

Transport boss Councillor Khurshid Ahmed said: "There have been some delays along the way, which is inevitable with a scheme of this size. I would sincerely like to thank all shops and businesses for their continued support, working with them has proved to be beneficial for all concerned as well as the town overall."

He added: "I am very much looking forward to seeing phase two unfold."

Further works to take place in Castle Street include the lighting of St Edmund's Church and improvements to the Earl of Dudley statue.

The overall project is due to be completed by early 2015.

Centre is ready to train hundreds of paramedics

A PARAMEDIC training facility has been opened to help cope with a huge influx of students.

West Midlands Ambulance Service has taken over the first floor of Dudley College's campus in Brierley Hill after running out of space at its current facility in Baggeridge.

That is because the service will be taking on 265 student paramedics and 50 graduate paramedics over the coming year as part of a major recruitment drive.

Dudley Road centre may become a permanent home for the service's training when the lease runs at Baggeridge next year.

Training at the campus began this month with the service expected to ramp up its operations as more trainees are taken on. It will also be used for the continuous training of current employees and the 159 students recruited over the past year.

Kim Nurse, the ambulance trust's director of workforce and organisational development, said: "With the trust having such a major programme of training and development, ensuring we have the best education facilities available for our staff is key.

"Securing the accommodation at Dudley College will assist us in improving the facilities for our staff to develop skills, which will have a direct impact on the care that we are able to provide to patients."

The college will be run as the service's training centre for 12 months on a temporary basis but could then be taken on permanently in June. Mrs Nurse added: "Longer term, we are looking at what the best options are for the trust. This may involve bringing a number of current education locations together on one site."

Worker is attacked in raid on shop

MASKED men wielding screwdrivers and a wooden bat stormed a bookmakers in Lye on Saturday morning and assaulted a member of staff before stealing cash.

Witnesses are now being sought after the attack at Coral on Lye High Street between 8.30am and 8.50am on Saturday.

Three men, described as white and wearing dark clothing and masks or balaclavas, went into the shop and threatened staff with the weapons.

The men then assaulted one member of staff before making off with an unknown quantity of cash.

Detective Constable Chris Smith from CID in Brierley Hill said: "One staff member has received treatment at the scene for head injuries.

"Police are carrying out forensics and ongoing inquiries at the scene. We are appealing for anyone who may have seen the robbery or anyone who may have information to contact us as soon as possible."

Call Brierley Hill CID on 101 or Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Diving with the Duke of Cambridge



The Duke of Cambridge shakes hands with diver Dave Billingham, of Stourbridge, pictured next to his son Tom

A TEENAGER and his father got the chance to go scuba diving with the Duke of Cambridge at an event in London.

Tom Billingham, 17, of Stourbridge, and his father Dave, were among a small group who met Prince William at a reception also attended by the Prince of Wales.

It was held at the Oasis lido in London's West End to mark the handover of the British Sub-Aqua Club (BSAC) presidency.

The Duke, who learned to dive with the BSAC, has followed in the footsteps of his father and grandfather to take the helm of the BSAC, the UK's governing body for snorkelling and scuba diving. He has spoken of how he hopes his presidency will inspire his son George and other youngsters to take the plunge.

They joined around 100 BSAC members to mark the handover and thank the Prince of Wales for his four decades of leadership.

Among them were Tom, of Seymour Road, a student at Halesowen College, and his father Dave, 49, an engineer, who are members of BSAC branch club Dudley Dolphins and were invited to join in the dive.

Tom, said: "It was fantastic to be part of the BSAC scuba diving team and a once in a lifetime opportunity to be there. The Duke was very confident underwater and it felt very safe diving with him. It is a brilliant sport to get into and I really enjoy it."

NEWS IN BRIEF

Campaigners aim to open charity shop

CAMPAIGNERS aiming to raise thousands of pounds to restore a landmark Dudley church are looking to open a charity shop.

St John's Church Preservation Group have permission to takeover the listed building in Kates Hill and re-open it for Christian worship, tourism and community use. Chairman Deb Brownlee said: "We would be very interested to hear from any commercial property owners who would allow us the rent free use of empty premises." Contact her on savestjohn schurch@hotmail.co.uk or call 0787 119 5042.

Mayor recruits helpful cadets

THE Mayor of Dudley has brought new recruits into her army of volunteers.

Young people from the Dudley detachment of the Staffordshire & West Midlands (North Sector) Army Cadet Force are ambassadors for Mayor Councillor Margaret Aston.

The cadets will accompany the mayor at civic events and be part of her fundraising initiatives. Councillor Mrs Aston said: "Young people have such a positive role to play in the borough."

Hotels chain hit by higher costs

THE Millennium and Copthorne Hotels group, which includes hotels in Brierley Hill and Birmingham, saw pre-tax profit and revenue fall in the first six months of this year.

Revenue per room was down 2.4 per cent to £65.67 and profit before tax slipped to £58.4m. The group said the decline was due to higher costs, stronger sterling and challenging Asian markets.

Blitz on beauty spot biker menace

POLICE have put up signs around a beauty spot in Brierley Hill warning people not to ride off-road motorbikes over it.

Officers say tackling the problem on the Fens Pool Nature Reserve remains a priority and, if necessary, they will call upon helicopter support to help catch illegal riders who have prompted complaints.

Patrols stepped up

BOOZE has been blamed for anti-social behaviour in Gornal with police promising to clamp down on those responsible. Patrols are being stepped up from Lake Street to Pennine Drive after complaints.

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THE BEST OF PETER RHODES



OUR changing language. Closing a number of Muslim bank accounts, HSBC says it's because they "fall outside our risk appetite." We journalists, being wordsmiths trained in economy and accuracy of language, would never use such jargon. Wanna bet? Reporting on the departure of a newspaper boss, the media website Hold the Front Page announces: "He has worked to transform the company from a primarily print and product-focussed group to a customer and community-focussed media solutions business." Ye gods and little fishes.

THE DVLA says there will be consultation on plans to reduce the cost of renewing a driving licence. So here's my response: don't be so damn silly. We renew our licences only once every 10 years. The plan is to reduce the fee from £50 to £34. That's a saving of £1.60 a year or about 0.4p a day. It is a piffling sum which most motorists will not even notice. Yet it will cost the Government about £18 million a year, which could surely be spent on something useful. Like filling in a few potholes?

THIS titbit, from a reader in a waspish mood, is supposedly an English teacher consoling a pupil who has just failed English GCSE: "There, they're, their."

AS the First World War commemorations reach their climax, a reader raises a fascinating question. Who is the youngest child of a veteran of the 1916 Battle of the Somme? He believes his sister, aged 70, is a contender. However, many Somme veterans were still around in the 1980s and some may have married more than once. It is possible that someone alive today in their 60s or even their 50s had a father who went over the top on July 1, 1916.

WHEN geeky, gawky Ed Miliband acknowledged his weird looks and admitted he'd never win a photo-opportunity, he was trying to stress his deeper, invisible qualities. I was reminded of Iain Duncan Smith's darkest hour in 2003. The then Tory leader growled: "Do not underestimate the determination of a quiet man." But it was a quiet, desperate sort of growl and it didn't work the miracle. One pundit labelled IDS "the quiet man who has much to be quiet about." It will probably be the same with Miliband. To be fair, there are a number of reasons why someone may appear weird. They may have inherited a shifty look. They may possess an awkward sort of face. They may have a deep-rooted problem with bacon sandwiches. But one of the commonest reasons for a bloke looking weird is that he is weird. Even so, prepare for the weird man entering Number Ten. The constituency boundaries are now so unfair that any Labour leader in the past 100 years could beat the Tories with the obvious exception of Neil Kinnock.



BLACK cats are said to be suddenly unpopular, partly because they do not photograph well in selfies. According to the RSPCA, today's most popular cat colour is ginger. What a strange society it is that cherishes ginger cats but makes fun of ginger humans.

WHERE are the police when you really need them? If you happen to live in Dorset, the answer could be that they're busy nicking folk like Wayne Duke. The 34-year-old drives a classic 1969 Dodge Charger and, according to reports, was taking a bride and groom to their reception when he sounded his Dixie-tune air horn. A police car promptly pulled him over. Mr Duke says he didn't know the horn was illegal and you might think, as it was a wedding day, the police would have let him off with a gentle warning. Instead they handed him a summons to appear in court. Is Mr Duke perhaps a serial horn-blower? One emailer asks: "What about the ice-cream vans?"

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Donations boost for heritage centre

AROUND £30,000 has been collected in public donations, leaving heritage campaigners just £10,000 away from their final drive towards a £3m education and heritage centre for Dudley Canal Trust, called The Portal.

It will be used to tell thousands of visitors about the Black Country's industrial past and canal heritage. The two-storey base will be built by the Dudley Canal Tunnel entrance at Todds End with the help of lottery cash and grants. So far £30,000 in donations has been received to help fund the project, £10,000 shy of the £40,000 target.

June Hodkins said: "It's excellent. We're not far from our goal which is great. The donations have come from visitors who have been out on trips and have enjoyed themselves so they have wanted to support the project."

Earlier this summer, the trust received a £100,000 grant from The Garfield Weston Foundation. The Heritage Lottery Fund has given the project £989,200 and a £1m cash windfall has come from the European Regional Development Fund. The total cost of the project is expected to be £3 million and it is hoped that the building could be open by Easter 2015.

A swing bridge would be constructed so visitors from the nearby Black Country Living Museum can access the ticket office, boats and heritage centre. Bosses also plan to install a lift link to the towpath and wharf. The top floor of the centre would provide access from the car park on Birmingham New Road.

Hopeful girls queue up to meet teen sensations

By Becky Woods

A THOUSAND screaming fans queued for hours to meet Britain's Got Talent stars Bars and Melody.

The young duo, who are 13-year-old Leondre 'Bars' Devries and Charlie 'Melody' Lenehan, aged 15, were at Merry Hill's HMV store last Wednesday to sign CDs and meet their young devotees.

The pair shot to stardom two months ago in the television talent show and are looking to get to number one in the charts with their first single, Hopeful. But they are already number one with the hundreds of girls who came out to meet them at the Brierley Hill mall with the queue snaking around most of the first floor of the shopping centre.

Amazing

Bars and Melody are overwhelmed by everything that has happened to them since their appearance on the TV show. Before the signing, Leondre said: "It's been absolutely amazing. I was striving towards something like this but never thought of anything of this level. I thought I might get 100 to 200 people liking my music, so I never expected even one per cent of this. You can't understand how shocking it is to think we are doing an HMV signing with thousands of girls."

The two met on Facebook and started writing music together, before trying out Britain's Got Talent, which was their first time performing in front of so many people.

Charlie said: "Britain's Got Talent was the first time we did anything together but it seems to have paid off. We just write and write, it's all we do, so it's exciting times."

Melodie Williams, from Rowley Regis, was first in the queue with her daughter Sadie, 12, son Mason, four, and their friends Rhiannon Hutton, 20, and 13-year-old Courtney Johnson.

Sadie said: "I like how they've achieved so much from just one song." Courtney added: "I got a hug from Charlie, it was amazing."



Young rap and singing duo Bars & Melody, from Britain's Got Talent, signing CDs for their fans at Merry Hill



The huge queue snakes along the gallery at Merry Hill shopping centre as fans wait to meet Bars & Melody at HMV

Halfway to homes on former campus

WORK on a development of 80 homes on a former college site has reached the halfway stage.

Bellway is building the estate on land previously occupied by workshops, classrooms and halls of residence for Dudley College.

The college buildings at the former Castle View campus were demolished two years ago to make way for the homes. Staff and students moved to the Broadway campus. The developer will invest £250,000 into community facilities, including sports and road improvements.

Bellway's sales and marketing director Stephen Rose said: "It's fantastic to see St James Mews really taking shape. The development has transformed the approach to Dudley town centre along Salop Street and provided an attractive frontage to The Parade."

Dudley College sold the land to the developer to help fund its new learning quarter in the town centre, which includes a sixth form centre in Priory Road and vocational centre in Tower Street. Work has started on Dudley Advance, an engineering and manufacturing centre, and Dudley Enhance maths centre, both in Priory Road.

Warning on roadworks

MOTORISTS could face delays as resurfacing work takes place on a main route through Wordsley.

A traffic island will also be created as part of the scheme at on the A491 Camp Hill, near the Red House Glass Cone.

Resurfacing work was due to start between Marine Crescent and Brierley Hill Road on Tuesday and is expected to last around a week.

The new 'splitter island' is to be constructed in Camp Hill near the junction with Marine Crescent once the resurfacing is complete.

Vehicles at risk

MORE than a dozen cars were found to be vulnerable to thieves during a check on vehicles in Stourbridge.

Officers found 18 cars were insecure. Police say they will continue advising residents to ensure they lock their cars and keep valuable items out of view.

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Homes to be built on site of warehouse

PLANS for 27 homes on the site of a former warehouse have been given a green light by planners.

Hadlington Brothers Ltd applied for permission to create the development on land off Marine Crescent, Wordsley and members of Dudley Council's development control committee have now approved the scheme.

Demolished

A warehouse previously stood on the site, first selling wines then tiles. Following its closure in 2007, the building was demolished and the site has been vacant.

The scheme is for two three-bedroom semi-detached, four two-bedroom semis, seven three-bedroom detached and 14 four-bedroom detached houses to be built.

Access from the site will be from Marine Crescent and the houses will have car parking provision.

Two letters of objection was received to the scheme .

Committee chairman Councillor Qadar Zada said: "Members decided to approve this scheme. There is a need to new homes in the area and this scheme was supported."

Aerosol yobs caused blaze

YOBS with aerosol cans have been blamed for starting a large field blaze.

Fire crews arrived at the farmland in Wall Heath to find two cans containing propane in the ashes.

Firefighters fought the blaze on foot using rucksack water carriers because of the remote location off the A449 Wolverhampton Road, during the late afternoon incident on July 27.

Watch Commander Mick Clark, of Brierley Hill Fire Station, said it was a dangerous incident, particularly as the cans could have exploded creating a fireball.

More park patrols

FIRES are being lit and young people smoking drugs at a park near Stourbridge, says residents.

Policehave also noticed an increase in criminal damage and graffiti at Swan Pool Park in Norton. Officers have stepped up patrols in the area.

Armed drugs villain given ten years prison



Drug dealer Stefan Rattray

POLICE found a loaded gun, more ammunition and a silencer with almost £12,500 worth of drugs when they swooped on a house in the Black Country.

The property was used by 24-year-old Stefan Rattray and others as a base from which to sell cocaine and heroin, Wolverhampton Crown Court was told.

Cannabis was also being grown in an upstairs bedroom at the address in Corser Street, Dudley, said Miss Kate Plummer, prosecuting.

Rattray assaulted a woman police officer as she and fellow officers raided the address at 9.30am on November 28.

They discovered a Russian-made Baikal pistol with a magazine of ammunition loaded into it hidden under a bed. The silencer and more ammunition were found in a bag under the stairs along with heroin and cocaine packaged up into £10 deals. Nineteen cannabis plants were being cultivated under a hydroponic network of lights, watering systems and extractor fans. Sealable bags used to store drugs and seven mobile phones with text messages indicating street dealing were also found at the house.

Miss Plummer concluded: "The total value of the drugs found at the property has been estimated at £12,450."

Mr Dean Kershaw, defending, said that Rattray, who had nine previous convictions including drug dealing, was resigned to a long prison sentence and hoped to put his time behind bars to good use by completing academic courses.

Rattray from Attingham Drive, Eve Hill, was convicted by a jury of possession of a prohibited firearm and ammunition but admitted the other offences of possessing cocaine and heroin with intent to supply, cultivating cannabis and assaulting a police officer. He was jailed for a total of ten years.

Judge Martin Walsh told him: "The gun, silencer and ammunition are the tools of the trade for a drug dealing operation and the gravity of gun crime cannot be exaggerated. This is a crime of the upmost gravity."

PC talks of ordeal when arresting dangerous dealer

By Heather Large

A POLICE officer who was repeatedly kicked by a drug dealer before he reached for a loaded gun as she tried to arrest him has spoken of her ordeal.

PC Jessica Preston was assaulted as she tried to arrest Stefan Rattray during a search of his house in Corser Street, Dudley.

She saw Rattray running up the stairs but, as she chased after him, he kicked her to the head and body several times.

Firearm

PC Preston continued to pursue him into a bedroom and she was trying to arrest him when he put his hand down the side of the bed to where a loaded firearm was hidden.

At this point, PC Preston's colleagues came in and managed to detain Rattray.

PC Preston said: "We were executing a warrant so we had had a briefing that morning to attend the address but we didn't know who was there. You sort of expect that if there are people there they may not want to be detained.

But she was shocked by the violence that confronted her as she tried to arrest Rattray.

"Going in there I certainly wasn't expecting what happened," said PC Preston. "At the top of the stairs I was kicked to the head. It was about six or seven times, head, chest, neck."

"There was a bit of a scuffle at the top of the stairs, other officers were coming up the stairs behind me and he's run into the bedroom. I've run after him and we've ran over the bed and he's bent down. And that point we've dived off the bed and slammed him against the window. Other officers have come in to detain him."

She added: "The main pain was in my hand where I had put it up to stop him kicking. Some of the bones were knocked out of alignment in my shoulder.

"I've been an officer for six years now and while you assume that at some stage in your career you will be assaulted, you hope it isn't in vain. "I am just pleased that we were able to detain Rattray in the end and that the outcome, which could have been a lot worse for everyone in the property at the time, was a safe one."



PC Jessica Preston was viciously attacked by a drug dealer Stefan Rattray



The firearm and ammunition recovered from the house



The haul of cannabis plants found in the house

During the search of the property, on November 28, a significant amount of Class A drugs, cannabis, weighing scales and drugs bags were found – along with a silencer for the gun and 9mm bullets.

Rattray, aged 24, of Attingham Drive, Dudley, was sentenced to eight years in prison at Wolverhampton Crown Court for possessing the gun and two years to run consecutively for possessing with intent to supply heroin. He was also given a number of concurrent sentences — four years for possessing ammunition, two years for possessing with intent to supply cocaine, two years for producing cannabis, 18 months for possessing with intent to supply cannabis and six months for assaulting PC Preston.

Danger

Sergeant Rob Simpson, from the St James's Neighbourhood Policing Team, said: "What had started out as an average drugs warrant turned into a potentially life-threatening situation.

"I would like to commend the bravery and tenacity of PC Preston, who pursued Rattray even though she'd been assaulted, and her colleagues who stopped Rattray in his tracks.

"None of them could have known the extent of the danger they were in.

"Events like these show the risks officers face on a daily basis."

NEWS IN BRIEF

Awards to honour unsung heroes

NOMINATIONS are needed for awards honouring unsung heroes in Dudley borough.

Dudley Council for Voluntary Service (DCVS) is looking to celebrate the work of volunteers.

Eileen Fielding, of DCVS, said they had already received some nominations but were keen to collect more by the August 22 deadline. The awards ceremony will take place on October 16.

Nomination forms are at libraries, Dudley Council Plus or downloaded from www.dudleycvs.org.uk

Extra classroom and bigger dining hall bid

PROPOSALS to create an extra classroom and a larger dining hall at a primary school have been lodged.

An extension will be built on land at the back of Sledmere Primary School in School Drive, Dudley, if the scheme is approved.

Plans for the development, which the school says will help it cope with an increase in pupils in September, have been submitted to Dudley Council.

A decision will be made within the next three months.

Half-price fun at the living museum

THE Black Country Living Museum is holding a half-price family night on August 16. Attractions will include games, singalongs, Punch and Judy shows, and pony rides.

One of the highlights will be a Black Country panto by popular local comedy troupe Fizzog Productions.

The event will run from 6.30pm until 10pm and has to be booked in advance on 0121 520 8054.

Lorry fire closes busy main road

A LORRY caught fire in Dudley after its turborcharger blew.

Firefighters from Tiptobn were called to the junction of Tividale Road and New Birmingham Road at around 2.45pm last Wednesday to deal with the fire in the vehicle's engine. New Birmingham Road was closed to while the lorry was made safe.

Action over litter

POLICE are to step up a crackdown on littering in an area of Dudley following complaints from residents.

Neighbourhood teams say they have been alerted to the problem in the Castle and Priory wards.

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Cloudy2Clear service Wolverhampton and the surrounding area and Brian is finding that his approach is a major factor in his success. 'The truth is that it's not just the personal satisfaction that I get from doing a good job but also it makes good business sense. I get a huge amount of business from friends and family of people I've done work for, which just goes to show how much a little bit of effort is appreciated.'

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IN MY VIEW



with Mark Andrews

WOULD you believe it? Well, no, actually.

RESEARCHERS at Oxford University have found that youngsters who play computer games for at least an hour a day turn out to be happier, more sociable, and less hyperactive than those who don't.

In other words, sitting in a darkened room, wearing a gothic T-shirt and shouting 'Die' at the computer screen is a sort of 21st century way to make friends and influence people.

Of course it is.

Now those 'researchers', were they students by any chance?

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AFTER being diagnosed with breast cancer at the age of 48, hospice worker Geraldine Jones made a bucket list of things she wanted to do before she died. Among them was riding a horse across a deserted beach.

After three years, Mrs Jones was given the all-clear, and to celebrate she decided to do the ride on Llangennith beach on the Gower peninsular.

She died from head injuries sustained while falling from the horse.

It is impossible to think what her family must be going through at the moment, but at least she did die doing something she loved.

But this just shows that life can be very cruel sometimes.

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SOME years ago, the Government reduced vehicle excise duty for small, diesel engined cars to £30.

This was presumably in the belief that they were environmentally friendly.

Now, in order to discourage people from driving diesel-engined cars, Mayor of London Boris Johnson is threatening to double the congestion charge in the city for those using such vehicles.

Inevitably, local councils up and down the country say they are now considering measures to penalise diesel drivers in the name of cracking down on pollution.

And you wonder why there is so much scepticism about all this environmental malarkey?

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FOOTBALLER is found guilty of not trying to win a football match, and they call it throwing the game.

A lifetime ban and possible criminal prosecutions loom.

Lewis Hamilton defies his manager's instructions, and tries to win a motor race.

He is blasted for not being a team player.

No, I've never understood motor racing, either.



Martin Wheatley, Financial Conduct Authority chief



Under fire — pay day lender Wonga's high interest rates



MP Ian Austin campaigns against greedy lenders

Helping to escape the cycle of debt

A credit union in Dudley is offering help to escape spiralling debts, **DANIEL WAINWRIGHT** reports

PAYDAY lenders such as Wonga, QuickQuid and others have advertised themselves as the quick and simple way to make ends meet until the salary drops into the account.

But the reality, for thousands of people, is very different.

Proposals unveiled this month are meant to put an end to the 5,853 per cent interest rates.

The Financial Conduct Authority's proposals for a cap on payday lending mean that interest and fees on new loans, including those rolled over, must not exceed 0.8 per cent per day of the amount borrowed.

The watchdog said that those who borrow £100 for 30 days and pay back on time will not pay more than £24 in fees and charges and someone taking the same loan for 14 days will pay no more than £11.20.

Under the proposals, fees for borrowers who cannot repay their loans on time must not exceed £15 and they must never have to pay back more in fees and interest than the amount borrowed.

It means that someone struggling with repayments on a £100 loan will never pay back more than £200 in any circumstance. The FCA estimates that consumers will save on average £193 per year through the measures, translating into £250 million annual savings overall. The price cap is set to cost the industry about £420m in lost revenues.

The loan companies, Wonga and Quickquid, can provide cash very quickly but the repayment rates are exceptionally high.

The Castle and Crystal Credit Union in Dudley's New Street has also been helping people to get their finances back under control.



An alternative — the Castle & Crystal Credit Union based in Dudley

Ian Austin, MP for Dudley North, has campaigned to drive payday lenders from the high street altogether.

He says: "Anything that limits the rip-off rates these people charge and the appallingly high interest and fees consumers end up paying has to be a good thing. Their customers can end up in a vicious circle they can never get out of – strapped for cash in the first place then struggling to pay back the loan because the costs just mount up. Hard-pressed families should be encouraged to use responsible lenders like Castle and Crystal instead."

Many people with debts are embarrassed to speak out. One woman who did so asked not to be identified. 'Mrs Smith' borrowed less than £400 but within months was facing a bill of more than £1,200 that threatened to keep spiralling.

She and her partner had spent more than five years grappling with their finances before resorting to payday lenders at the end of 2012. They took out loans with two companies for less than £200 each in December of that year but by May 2013 they owed £1,256.70 to the lenders – £887.89 to Wonga and £368.81 to Quickquid.

Wonga charged the equivalent to annual interest of 5,853 per cent while Quickquid wanted the equivalent to 1,734 per cent a year.

The couple worked hard to economise and had a household income of £39,000 a year but it was not enough. With four children between them and spiralling debts, payday lenders offered a quick solution when they were hit by an unexpected expense, such as a car repair or broken oven.

Castle and Crystal was able to pay off the loan and put them on a cheaper rate. But credit unions can only help if more people use them for larger loans, for which they can charge interest over a long time.

Castle and Cystal has 4,300 members and is growing. In February it opened 100 new savings accounts, compared with 61 in the same month last year. It issued £82,000 of loans, a 203 per cent rise on the previous year.

Dharminder Dhaliwal, business and finance manager at Castle and Crystal, says: "About 1.6 million people use payday lenders each year. As a credit union we need to do most of our loans at £800 or more to break even. Payday loans are for less than that and that's why they've always charged what they want."

Payday lenders are already prevented from rolling over loans more than twice and have been restricted in their ability to drain money from bank accounts. The £2.8 billion sector has come under intense scrutiny amid outrage over the way some consumers have been treated. The FCA's proposals, if approved, would take effect from next January.

Mr Austin says he will continue to campaign against payday lenders — "I want to see these people driven out of business altogether."

WEEK IN POLITICS



with Daniel Wainwright

NIGEL Hastilow is standing in for Daniel who is on holiday

IS there really any difference between Nigel Farage and Alex Salmond?

Or, to put it another way, is UKIP's ambition for a country free from the shackles of the European Union any different from the Scottish Nationalists' desire to be rid of Westminster?

Both parties appeal to the same nationalist – some would say parochial and isolationist – instincts.

How could a supporter of Britain's independence from Europe quibble if the Scots felt the same way about England?

The sight of Alex Salmond lording it around Glasgow like the King of the Commonwealth Games is enough to infuriate most Brits. The leader of the Scots Nats clearly hopes the games will be another nail in the coffin of the historic United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

This is not unlike Nigel Farage's hope that success in May's Euro elections will translate into a breakthrough in next year's General Election.

Mr Farage may be a Home Counties gin-and-tonic man compared to Mr Salmond's highland whisky. But is Mr Farage wrapping himself in the Union Jack really very different from Mr Salmond in a Saltire?

Both men come from outside the established political parties. They are both adept populists. They both articulate deeply-held views which are ignored by mainstream politicians. They are both 'people's politicians'. But there is a difference between them – history. Mr Farage has history on his side; Mr Salmond does not.

England and Scotland have, for all practical purposes, been a single unified country since 1603. That's when Henry VII's great-great grandson James IV of Scotland took over from Elizabeth I and became James I of England as well. He called himself King of Great Britain and Ireland.

The two countries were formally united 100 years later and, despite a few ups and downs, they have been happily and successfully united ever since.

In the intervening three centuries or so, England and Scotland worked peacefully together as one nation (along with the Welsh and many of the Irish) to create a global powerhouse.

Yet when we look at Britain's – not just England's – relations with the rest of Europe, things look quite different. For centuries we have worked to keep the peace across the English Channel. We have been forced to sacrifice lives at frighteningly regular intervals to rescue Europe from its own folly That is why we are marking the 100th anniversary of the outbreak of the First World War. It was not a conflict of our making.



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New era of lower wages and higher rents

ANYONE who doubts that the UK has moved into a low paid service industry economy only needs to look at the rapid increase in amateur landlords offering houses for rent. Rented accommodation has doubled over the last ten years whilst home ownership has fallen from 70 per cent to 60 per cent.

We are rapidly moving back towards the Rachmanism of the 1950s when immigrants were exploited in London and rent controls had to be brought in.

There is a perceived myth that builders have vast land banks which should be used for house building. This is a smokescreen put forward by governments to hide the fact that house price inflation is controlled by the supply of easy finance, a trick used to make homeowners feel better off, particularly where votes can be generated.

The rich are certainly getting richer but so are the greedy. Councillors in Dudley who gave themselves a large increase in expenses a few years ago whilst seeing fit to reduce public services. In fairness, some elected members do not claim their fees, which was the case in the 1950s when after a meeting they were lucky to get their bus fare home. They have also started calling committees 'cabinets' to make it sound as though they are worth more remuneration.

Zero hours contracts are an indication that an economy is moving downwards because this can distort unemployment figures. The scenario we now find ourselves in is the result of production going to Third World countries in the quest for cheap labour. The plight we now face will be difficult to reverse.

R SLIMM
Dudley

Council's justification is an insult

IT'S no surprise that Labour councillors have opposed the move to cut their numbers by a third.

Saving money is not what they are about, more like wasting it and blaming Government cuts.

It makes you question what the extra 24 are doing for their fat little earners — absolutely nothing, apparently.

The reason given by David Sparks is that we could do without them but, as all the other councils are over-manned, we won't be different. This is an insult to council tax payers.

The worrying thing is this man is in charge and, with a Labour Government backing him, I fear that the days of council tax freezes and better services are coming to an end and the return of massive public spending is imminent.

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Driver education more vital than speed limits

I SEE that Thorns Road, Quarry Bank, is to have its 40mph speed limit reduced to 30mph.

I would firstly like to say that the unfortunate death of the man who was knocked down by a lorry was not due to speed but that of an attacker who forced the man to run into path of the vehicle. Secondly, reducing the speed will not cure any problem Thorns Road has. What is needed is driver education and this can only be dealt with at the learning stage of driving. Following this, tough action must be taken against drivers who disregard any speed limit.

How many times have those driving legally on a clear road found in the next viewing of their rear view mirror that they have a vehicle on their bumper? This can only be because that driver is breaking whatever the limit is. On learning to drive I was told by a very wise man: 'anyone can drive fast, it's stopping that is the problem'. On taking an advanced driving course, before getting behind a wheel we were told 'at times 5mph is too fast and at other times 70mph is not fast enough'. It is all to do with driver judgement, awareness and, most importantly, observations. If drivers disregard any one of those , the standard of driving in this country will continue to cause death and injury.

P LOWE
Brierley Hill

Hippodrome could fill in for Civic Hall

I SEE Wolverhampton Civic Hall is looking for a temporary venue, what's wrong with Dudley Hippodrome?

If West Bromwich is looking to compete with the Civic, I can only assume live entertainment is pretty popular these days. Why can't Dudley Council see this?

They harp on about theatres struggling but they don't listen to me. I live in the real world. I know entertainers are crying out for the Hippo to reopen. It can be a multi-purpose venue that can cater for bands easily, also as theatre in the future too.

Good luck to the Civic, I've been there many times, and the Grand for that matter. Hat's off to West Bromwich for supporting its lovely Town Hall. And open your eyes DMBC. Stop trying to destroy our amazing Black Country heritage and start going out more. To the Hippodrome!

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RAFA members at the clubhouse in Dixons Green Road, Dudley, in the 1970s



RAFA members working on the clubhouse in Dixons Green Road, Dudley, in 1974



Members enjoying a beer and comradeship at the Dudley branch of RAFA



President John Deane, vice-chairman Tony Timmins, associate member Margaret Bloomer and Secretary Sgt Stan West

RAF Association branch seeking new members

ONCE hundreds of members came together in remembrance, raised a pint with their comrades and enjoyed social evenings.

But now a Royal Air Force Association branch is facing an uncertain future unless they attract a new generation of members.

The 621 (Dudley) branch of the Royal Air Force Association has a proud history dating back almost 70 years.

Some earned their wings in Hurricane fighters as battles raged in the skies during the Second World War while others grafted during their National Service.

Numbers of veterans have dwindled over the years from hundreds until now only three active full members remain.

Two associate members, those who have not served for the RAF, also attend meetings and have helped draft a new social calendar.

MEMORY LANE

By Andrew Turton

The group hope to attract some of the 50 members still on the books back to regular meetings while also bringing new people on board. Otherwise members may have to instead join the Wolverhampton branch.

Flying the flag for the branch are three members who still hold weekly meetings for free at the Ex-Servicemen's Club, in Hall Street, Dudley.

Future

This year marks the 50th year that branch president John Deane, aged 77, has been involved with the association. Having joined the Air Training Corp in 1951 he went on to complete two years of National Service with the RAF.

Mr Deane, of Kingswinford, said they were keen to ensure the club has a future as well as a proud past. "We are struggling. It would be a shame if it could not continue," he added.

Branch secretary Sergeant Stan West, of Tipton, joined the RAF Association branch around seven years ago. He had previously been part of the 347 Squadron working in air electronics.

"One of the problems that we know is that certain people, because of age, don't want to come out at night. But if they arrange it for us then we would pick them up," he said.

The club opened in 1947 in a rented room over the old Dudley Fire Station in Priory Road. In December 1972 the association bought the former home of Bob Kennedy, impresario of Dudley Hippodrome, in Dixons Green Road. Many social events and charity fundraisers were held over the years. Among well known members was George Heritage, one of the last Hurricane pilots and a survivor of three plane crashes.

The clubhouse was sold four years ago. Now the group meet on the third Wednesday of every month at 8pm at the Ex-Servicemen's Club. To find out more call John on (01384) 830574 or Stan on 0121 530 2970.



RAFA on the march taking part in a Remembrance Day parade in Dudley in the early 1970s

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Members of tax fraud gang are sent to prison

THEY fiddled more than £8 million in a construction industry tax fraud.

Now members of a 20-strong gang, including some from Halesowen and Stourbridge, have been locked up as a result.

The 17 men and three women were arrested by HM Revenue and Customs officers during Operation Savate, an investigation that revealed tax offences and money laundering linked to the construction industry .

Investigators uncovered a large and complex web of illegal activity involving more than 100 businesses across the country. Subcontractors were employed 'off-record' and the gang members pocketed Income Tax and National Insurance contributions due to HMRC. At the same time fake invoices had been created to claim VAT refunds.



Bernard Harper — centre of the fraud



Steven Bache — used expertise as accountant

Restrictions

Amongst those jailed are Bernard Harper, aged 57, from Causey Farm Road, Halesowen, who Judge Peter Carr described as being at 'the centre of the fraud and an organiser of it'.

He was jailed for eight years in September after a 17-week trial at Birmingham Crown Court, and disqualified for acting as a company director for 10 years.

The convictions of those behind the scam can only be reported now after legal restrictions were lifted following the conclusion of three trials, which ended last week,

Colin Booker, assistant director of criminal investigation at HMRC, said: "The final sentencing brings to an end a six-year investigation, centred on a highly organised and complex fraud, undertaken by a group of individuals who cared for nothing but their own financial gain."

During the final hearing at Birmingham Crown Court, Mr Richard Sutton, prosecuting, said: "In order to give the appearance of genuine supply of labour, false invoices were completed."

The fraud was so complex that Mr Sutton said charts were created to keep track of how it operated.

At the same time as Harper's sentence, accountant Steven Bache, 52, of Leys Close, Stourbridge, was jailed for three years and six months. He used his expertise to evade HMRC controls.

Kelly Nicholls, 36, of Mill Street, Brierley Hill, was also jailed for five years after producing invoices and helping with administration tasks connected to the fraud. They both denied the charges.

A second trial took place in November last year, after which Susan Coussens, 55, of Chestnut Close, Norton, was jailed for four years despite having denied money laundering and fraud charges. Helga Lowndes, 48, of Weeping Cross, Stafford, was jailed for two years after denying VAT fraud and conspiracy to contravene the Finance Act 2000.

Other defendants pleaded guilty to their charges and were sentenced last year. These included former bank manager Anthony Smith, 36, of Mill Street, Brierley Hill, ailed for five years and one month after admitting cheating the revenue. He was described by the judge as Harper's 'lieutenant and the office manager'.

Stuart Barrett, 57, of Hillbank, Tividale, and his son Steven Barrett, 34, of Woodside Way, Walsall, ran a security company and collected some of the fraud's proceeds. Both were jailed for four years and three months after admitting conspiracy to cheat the revenue and money laundering.

Craig Hill, 50, of Raby Close, Tividale, who admitted conspiring to cheat the revenue, and Ian Siviter, 38, of Regent Road, Tividale, who admitted cheating the revenue, were both jailed for four years and three months after acting as director for two of the sham companies each.

Confiscation action is expected to follow.

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Lifesaving Badgers need new generation of recruits

CHILDREN'S first aid groups in the Black Country face an uncertain future due to fewer recruits.

Sandwell and Dudley branches of the St John Ambulance Badger groups need more volunteers when sessions start again in September.

The first aid charity says numbers are getting low and they are looking for more youngsters aged five to 10. The Badgers teach the next generation of first aiders, as the children learn important life saving skills and team work. They also take part in activities such as camping.

Carolyn Zivoder, regional youth co-ordinator for St John Ambulance, said: "Badgers learn the life saving skills which could one day be the difference between a life lost and a life saved. However, becoming a Badger isn't only about learning first aid. It's a great way to make new friends and, most importantly, have fun in a safe environment. Many St John Ambulance volunteers who start as Badgers stay with us for many years and end up working in the medical profession."

Research carried out by St John Ambulance shows that less than one in seven West Midlands residents know even the basic life saving skills — so teaching children from an early age could make a big difference.

The Dudley group, which only has three regular members, meets on Thursdays at Ollis Hall, Vicar Street. The Sandwell group also meet on Thursdays, at the charity's centre in Roebuck Lane in West Bromwich. Sessions for both start again in September after a summer break.

Contact Carolyn Zivoder on 0121 236 6660 or email carolyn.zivoder@sja.org.uk



Sandwell Badgers Aaron Gough and Charlie Jerrison Eglington with leaders Marie and Neil Evans

Residents to discuss issues at meetings

RESIDENTS will be able to discuss issues and concerns about their estates at a series of meetings taking place across Dudley borough.

Dudley Council has organised the tenants and residents association events which will be held in Dudley, Stourbridge and Brierley Hill.

The first event will be the Corbyns Bromley meeting held on August 18 at the senior citizens club, in Brierley Hill, from 6.30pm.

It will be followed by the Parkes Street tenants and residents association meeting at the Limes Social Club, also Brierley Hill, on August 21 at 7.30pm.

New Wrens Nest tenants and residents association will meet at Wrens Nest Community Centre, Dudley, on August 11 at 7pm.

In Stourbridge, the Love Claycroft tenants and residents association will hold a fun day at the Green, in Sadlers Close, from 10am until 1pm.

Anyone who wishes to attend the meetings should telephone (01384) 815168 to ensure the meeting is still taking place, as they may be subject to change.

£10m fund will help more young people work

A £10 million fund will be spent in the Black Country to help turn around the lives of 1,400 deprived young people.

The money from the Big Lottery Fund is being aimed at 18 to 24-year-olds who have been out of work or education for more than a year – as well as carers, ex-drug addicts and young offenders.

Six 'hubs' are to be set up in Wolverhampton, Sandwell, Dudley and Walsall from September.

By Daniel Wainwright

The scheme, called Talent Match Black Country, is intended to help them overcome their individual problems that stop them getting into work. It will work with young parents, travelling families, disabled young people and the homeless to get them in touch with employers and help them to develop skills.

There will also be mentoring of each individual young person involved by trained staff including those who have been through similar problems.

The project is being overseen by Wolverhampton Voluntary Sector Council. Its chief executive Ian Darch said: "Young people themselves will be at the very centre of this and will make up half of the steering group.

"We want to help young people who have been out of employment, education or training for 12 months or more and support them into work. Each young person will be working with a mentor."

Young people will be referred to the scheme through the Job Centre or through private companies providing the Government's Work Programme, which provides personalised support to people to find work.

Details have emerged a week after Wolverhampton South East MP Pat McFadden revealed a scheme he had set up to offer young people work experience had helped 220 into jobs over two years. The unpaid placements were offered by employers including New Cross Hospital, brewer Marston's and Beacon Centre for the Blind.

Others, such as the Robin 2 music venue in Bilston, Barnshaw Steel Bending at Coseley and water cooler firm Angel Springs, in Ettingshall, also offered places.

In its first year 157 placements were taken up and 45 young people got jobs. But a report on the results of the second year from JobCentre Plus shows that a further 380 places were offered, resulting in 179 young people getting jobs.

The scheme has had a success rate of 47 per cent.

Many will not look after elderly parents

ALMOST a third of people in the West Midlands would not look after their ageing parents if they needed full time care, a survey has found.

Charity bosses from Age UK say the figures reflect a worrying trend across the country.

Figures released by the charity showed that 20 per cent of people in the UK thought they lacked the necessary skills to care for their parents. Of the 29 per cent of West Midlands people who said they would not look after their parents full time, half said their house wasn't big enough and 43 per cent said they wouldn't be able to cope.

Jeni Rushton, care manager at Care UK, said: "From our experience, the thought of putting parents in a care home can come with great concern. Often the decision is made at crisis point. This is why we encourage people to discuss the subject of care with their parents before it becomes a necessity."

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Ukulele lady entertains the group

Penn TG

MRS McInnes welcomed everyone to the last meeting and introduced the speaker Gabriella, known as the 'Ukulele Lady'.

She immediately set the scene with the "Telephone Song" from around 1923, and followed with "You are my Sunshine". Gabriella had several ukuleles, all different in size and all with different sounds.

Ukuleles originated in Portugal and workers from there went to work in Hawaii in 1879 cutting sugar cane and they took their instruments with them.

Hawaiians started playing ukuleles, swaying and wearing grass skirts and flowers as they danced.

Gabriella skilfully involved the audience in her stories and it was a wonderfully funny evening.

The Gardening Group visited the Dower House at Morville. It was a delightful garden and coffee and homemade shortcake was served in the house.

A group of ladies from St Bart's Church, Penn formed a band and entertained the Social Studies group.

The Guild had chosen a few songs and the band supplied the others as members sang along to some old popular tunes. Strawberries and cream were served in the break and everyone had a very enjoyable evening.

On September 10, Andrew Lound will speak about 'Scott of the Antarctic' at an open meeting. Visitors are welcome at a cost of £3. On September 24 Ed Shore's topic will be 'Cycling Across America'.

Members join fun of Alice themed party

Guest has Wisdom of his subject's life

Quarry Bank E TWG

VICE chairman Vera Raybould presided over the July meeting.

The 26 members present were welcomed and there were two visitors from the federation.

The meeting progressed as usual with the reading and signing of the previous month's minutes also the treasurer's report.

Mrs Raybould was the group's representative at the National AGM. She gave an excellent report of the items discussed and voted upon and also of the venue itself.

Tickets for the Federation Lunch at the Mill Hotel were distributed.

Social secretary Mrs Writtle gave final information regarding the visit and afternoon tea at David Austin Roses. The names were taken of those wishing to visit 'The Lodge', Wellington Road, Dudley, on November 12.

The speaker for this evening was Mike Sampson and his topic was 'The life and career of Norman Wisdom'.

He certainly knew his subject, from the days of poverty and hardship, through time spent in the navy and army to the time of success and the meeting with such illustrious showbusiness stars as Marilyn Monroe, Laurel and Hardy and Charlie Chaplin.

Mr Sampson was thanked for a very interesting talk about an entertainer who gave so much pleasure.

Next month, August 19, the speaker will be Mary Edwards – her topic 'Four season's gardens'.

Wollaston 'E' TWG

THE July meeting took the form of the guild summer tea party with an Alice in Wonderland theme and members were asked, if possible, to wear something appropriate.

Everyone joined in and various characters were represented. Ann Powell's portrayal of the Queen of Hearts was worthy of an Oscar award.

The tea organised by the committee was as usual, a great success, and enjoyed by all. This was followed by Irish Bingo, organised by Betty Collins and Pat Archer. Lesley Wall was the winner.

The Floral Art section had an enjoyable visit to Trentham Gardens, enhanced by the glorious, sunny weather.

Anyone wishing to attend the Federation Harvest Lunch, at Wollaston Village Hall, on Wednesday, October 1 should contact Sue Ward to check on availability.

Chairman Jean Latham wished everyone a happy summer break as there is no meeting in August. The next meeting is at 7.30pm on September 9 at St James Church Hall, Wollaston.

Speaker rose to the occasion

Clent Gardening Club

THE club had a wonderful evening on July 25 listening to a talk by Sue Russell on old fashioned roses.

She was a superb speaker, taking everyone through the centuries with the different smelling roses.

This was well attended and everyone agreed it was a worthy meeting. It ended up with "Question Time" which went on for some time and Sue patiently answered every question, followed by coffee and biscuits. A plant sale took place as usual.

The chairman suggested that members may like to open up their own gardens during the coming year for viewing by the club.

In Clent Parish Hall on August 22 there will be a practical demonstration on "Pruning" by John Millington.

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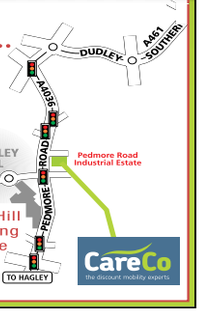
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Police reduce dog handlers

THE number of police dog handlers will be reduced by the force covering Wyre Forest and Hagley under new plans to cut costs by £500,000.

West Mercia Police and Warwickshire Police, which formed an alliance, say the number of handlers for the two force areas will drop from 36 to 30.

Chiefs say the move will help save £500,000 as they battle to make cuts of £30.3 million by 2015.

But they say changes will be made to shift patterns and the way vehicles are used to ensure there is an increase in the number of dog handlers available in any 24-hour period in the two force areas.

The forces' dogs are used to help locate and find people and items, to catch criminals and protect the public.

Five firms in talks on moves to revive The Waterfront

FIVE firms are in talks about moving to a once-thriving canalside business complex as part of an incentive scheme to breathe new life into the area.

The Dudley Business Investment Zone was launched at The Waterfront in Brierley Hill in April in a bid byDudley Council to fill empty office space and create more than a thousand new jobs.

The scheme offers firms moving in a two-year break in business rates while those companies already based there can get discounts for expanding. Following this week's announcement the former Point North office block will be converted into an apartment block with 181 luxury homes, the council said it was confident of the scheme's success.

Optimistic

Regeneration boss Councillor Judy Foster said: "We are continuing to speak to five businesses with a view to them potentially moving to the Waterfront. We remain very optimistic that the proposals we have in place are an attractive proposition for business looking to move to the area, which will create jobs and economic growth for the region. "

One landlord believes he is already seeing a positive impact from the scheme. Stephen Fitzgerald owns about 4,000 sq ft of office space at Waterfront East, which is empty, but he said he was in talks with a local firm about leasing some of the space. He has also received interest from two firms since April.

It is a good indication the area is picking up," he said. "We're pleased with the interest and hope some deals are made soon."

Rubbish poses a risk on road

THE regular build-up of rubbish on a busy Lye town centre road will cause an accident, a community leader has warned.

Abdul Qadus, chairman of Lye Community Centre, described the waste left scattered around Clinic Drive as an accident waiting to happen.

He said he had continually reported the matter to Dudley Council, which had ensured the rubbish was picked up weekly but more rubbish soon replaced it.

Mr Qadus said: "People are throwing out their rubbish and leaving it scattered across the road. When it gets dark it's not safe for motorists to head down the road. I'm worried an accident may happen."

Mr Qadus took over the running of the community centre last year.

Former surgery on the market



The former surgery at Worcester Street, Stourbridge, which is now up for sale

A FORMER doctors' surgery in Stourbridge has gone on the market for £399,950 after the GP practice moved to a new base.

Worcester Street Medical Practice re-located to an £8.5 million medical centre, in Lowndes Road, Stourbridge, in April, leaving the premises in Worcester Street surplus to requirements.

Interest

The distinctive building is now up for sale through agents Walton & Hipkiss, who say there has already been a lot of interest in the building.

Agents say it would be suitable for a veterinary surgery or dental practice. The building measures a total of 5,268sq ft and has 12 car parking spaces. It is located along a main road in a prominent position.

A spokesman for Walton & Hipkiss said: "There has also been interest in using it as a day care centre.

"The site remains on the market so people can still express an interest in the building."

Worcester Street Medical Practice agreed to move it its new location, the converted former Foster, Rastrick and Company foundry, back in October 2012. It is famed as being where the Stourbridge Lion, the first steam engine to run on rail tracks in America, was built. In recognition of this, the new centre has been called Lion Health.

Eighteen months' work to refurbish the Grade-II listed building was carried out before the move could take place.

The final patient was seen at the Worcester Street in early April. The 20 GPs and 60 other staff then moved to the new base which serves 26,000 patients.

Vintage vehicles draw crowds to museum

MORE than 1,300 visitors motored to the Black Country Living Museum for a traditional display of vintage vehicles.

Around 120 cars, bikes and buses were on display at the attraction, in Tipton, for the popular annual event.

The show on July 27, called the Festival of Black Country Vehicles, was celebrating iots 12th year and has grown to become one of the most popular events in the museum's calendar.

Families and enthusiasts got the chance to get a close up look at vehicles made by some of the area's best-known manufacturers, including AJS, Bean, Westfield, Star and Clyno.

Bosses from the museum said this year's event had been 'bigger and better' than ever. Visitors not only got the chance to see the vehicles but also chatted with owners to learn more about the history of each car.

Chapel to be restored

WORK to turn a chapel into a second register office for the borough will begin later this year.

Lye and Wollescote Chapel, built in 1878, has been closed for the past 20 years and the historic building had fallen into disrepair. But West Midlands Historic Buildings Trust say work on bringing the building back up to scratch would begin in December. Under the proposals approved by Dudley Council last month, the chapel will include a wedding ceremony room.

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Drunk teacher crashed into van while banned

A TEACHER from Dudley crashed his car into a van while drunk just two weeks after being disqualified from driving, a court heard.

Father-of-two Michael Chapman smashed into the back of a Ford Transit van in Standhills Road, Kingswinford, on April 30 and then drove off, Dudley Magistrates' Court was told. He was followed by the van's driver who stopped him and called police and paramedics.

Chapman, who was driving without insurance, was taken to hospital and a blood sample was taken. Alcohol in his system measured 102 milligrammes. The legal limit for driving is 80 milligrammes per 100 millilitres of blood.

The 39-year-old,of Penzer Street, Kingswinford, had previously been disqualified for 20 months for an offence of drink driving that had taken place on March 25.

Course

At a hearing on June 18, Chapman pleaded guilty to driving a motor vehicle when above the alcohol limit, use of a motor vehicle without third party insurance, driving while disqualified and failing to stop after a road accident.

Last week he was handed a 16-week prison sentence suspended for 12 months and was also disqualified from driving for 40 months and put on a supervision order for a year. He has to pay £85 costs, an £80 surcharge and was told to attend a drink driving course.

Mr Mark Cooper, prosecuting, said Chapman, who now works as an ICT curriculum leader at a school in Birmingham, made a full and frank admission to the offences.

Miss Catherine Janor, defending, said Chapman had been experiencing a breakdown following a traumatic event that had led to the loss of his job. "My client was in a fragile state of mind on the day," she added.

Deputy District Judge Munro, told Chapman: "You are highly regarded and this offence can only be said to be out of character."

Wave of nostalgia at zoo



Chief executive Peter Suddock at the restored entrance to Dudley Zoo

DUDLEY Zoo's iconic 'wave' entrance has been restored to its former glory with a new lick of paint and dramatic lighting.

The eye-catching building on Castle Hill has been restored to its original blue colour and lights have been put behind behind the 'zoo' letters to make them stand out at night.

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Together again after 18 months of heartbreak

THEY met, fell in love and married 14 years ago — only to have their lives ripped apart when immigration officials stopped them living together in the UK.

Eighteen months after their struggle with the Home Office began, Robert and Adna Cooper are back in each others' arms in Dudley after winning a landmark appeal.

Adna, 35, has been granted a visa to move back to the UK from her homeland of Brazil to be with her 39-year-old husband. It came after Adna, who was refused permanent entry to the UK last year, won an appeal process which ended in May with an immigration hearing in Birmingham.

Home

Robert was finally able to bring his wife home to Pensnett last week. The pair, who have spent about £5,000 on legal costs, are desperate to move on with their lives following their ordeal.

Robert, a pastor for the First Renewal Presbyterian Church, said: "It has been really difficult for her. She felt almost like a second class citizen, not being allowed to return here with me." Adna said: "It was an extremely difficult period for me, the whole situation of being refused, being apart, unable to carry on with our lives, spending all our savings, was unbearable. "

The couple met when Robert, a former pupil at Pensnett School, was doing church work in the suburbs of Sao Paulo in 1999. They returned to the UK the following year and Adna was given a resident visa before they married at Kingswinford Christian Centre in July. After returning to Brazil in 2003, the pair encountered problems on wanting to return to the UK ten years later.



Reunited — married couple Robert and Adna Cooper, of Pensnett

Under new immigration rules, only British people who earn more than £18,600 can sponsor their non-European spouse's visa. Robert earned enough but he was unable to get payslips to prove it due to his employer being a non-profit organisation and the pair were forced to live apart.

The pair managed to overturn the Home Office decision after giving evidence at a hearing in Birmingham and the pair now live with Robert's parents in Comber Drive. Robert said: "They are discriminating and being unfair to many families. We are not just numbers and names, we are people."

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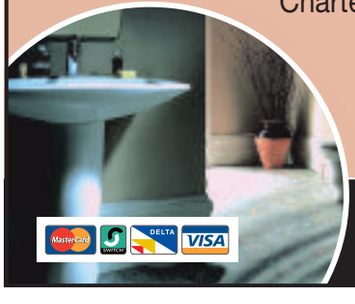
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Sea of red geraniums is a true gardening glory



Gardener Adrian Thomson with the geraniums in the Italian Garden at Arley Arboretum, near Kidderminster

A SEA of beautiful flowers has come into bloom at Arley Arboretum as the good weather continues to thrill.

The Italian Garden in the grounds of the Arley estate has sprung into life as hundreds of red geraniums have come into bloom providing a stunning greeting to visitors coming to the attraction this summer.

Other flowers that have burst into bloom during the hot summer weather include a wide variety of roses, clematis and alstroemeria that have been drawing gardeners from across the country.

The popular gardens and grounds have a number of events going on over the summer to keep all the members of the family entertained.

There will be summer pond-dipping to explore the garden's many water features and streams to find mini beasts. Youngsters can also become explorers and find the garden's many different scents, sights and sounds.

For those of a braver disposition there will also be a mini beast summer safari that will look at the many bugs and insects that call Arley Arboretum their home. People will also be able to see the gardens in a different light as opening hours each Wednesday are extended until 9pm throughout the whole of August.

The gardens are also looking for volunteers over the summer to help maintain the grounds, work in the tea room and carry out general administration.

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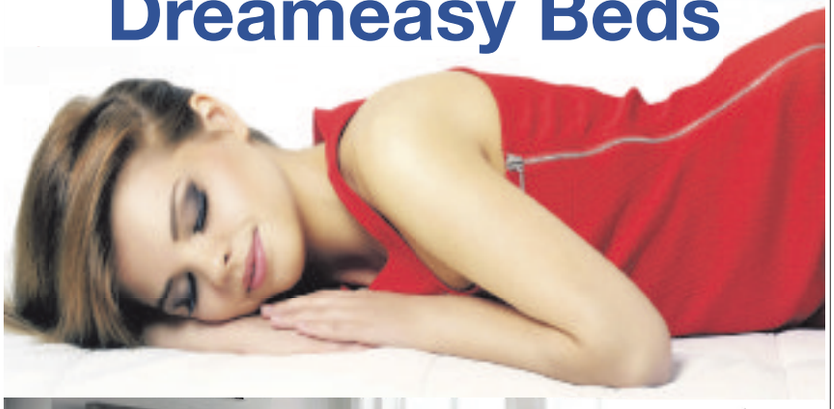
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Sutton packs his trunks to get cool in the pool



Baby elephant Sutton, with his mother Five, pictured having a splashing time at his home at West Midland Safari Park

BABY elephant Sutton has really taken to the water since the weather started picking up – so much so he has been bought his own paddling pool.

The three-month-old received the special treat after staff at West Midland Safari Park noticed how much he enjoyed his daily bath.

Now Sutton can enjoy a cool dip or chase a beach ball around any time he pleases, while his mother Five keeps an eye on proceedings.

Angela Potter, deputy director of wildlife at the park, said the new pool was proving a real hit with Sutton, who was named in memory of inspirational Burntwood teenager Stephen Sutton, who lost his battle with cancer just days after the elephant's birth.

She said: "At three months old, Sutton really is proving to be a real water baby. Once the weather warmed up and we saw how much he enjoyed his bath time, we thought that a paddling pool would be the ideal treat for him.

"Once in place, it wasn't long before he took to it 'like a duck to water', often rolling around until the pool was almost capsized and enjoying every minute."

Sutton was the first elephant to be born at the park, after a 22-month pregnancy and weighed 15st 7lb.

This month he will be able to play for longer than usual as the park has extended its opening hours as part of its Summer Nights season.

More than 4,000 suggestions for names out of 5,000 submitted via social media were for either Stephen or Sutton.

Stephen, who raised £4.2m for Teenage Cancer Trust, was pictured hugging the baby's mother in January.

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Crews rescue terrified horse from the canal



By hook or by crook – this is the dramatic moment that rescue workers dragged a stricken horse from the canal at Coseley

THIS was the dramatic moment fire crews rescued a terrified horse trapped in a 6ft deep stretch of a Black Country canal.

The stricken animal had fallen into the water near Walbrook Bridge at Coseley while tethered to ground nearby.

When the crews from Tipton arrived they found the animal struggling to keep its head above the water.

It had been unable to stand because of the depth of the water and had been forced to try to swim to prevent itself from drowning.

The alarm was raised by a passing boat owner at around 8am yesterday. A technical rescue unit devised plans to pull the horse out of the canal under the guidance of the RSPCA.

Shallower

They were able to cut the chain and guide the animal to a shallower area by the edge of the canal.

With the support of the fire service's Technical Rescue Unit, a team of eight firefighters used long slings to hoist the horse from the water and to safety. Tipton watch commander Keith Hampton said the rescue took about 45 minutes.

"When we got there we saw the large horse tethered by a chain trying to swim.

"It must have been tethered nearby and fallen in the canal.

"It's not an easy job rescuing a horse, which is why I called the Technical Rescue Unit from Wednesbury, which has the right equipment for the job."

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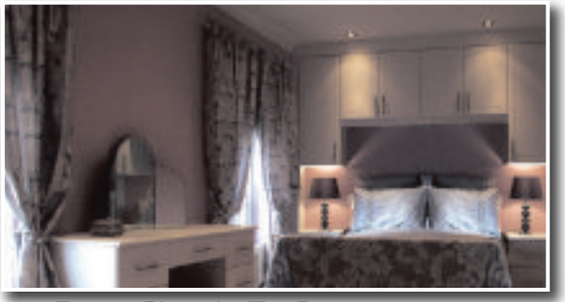
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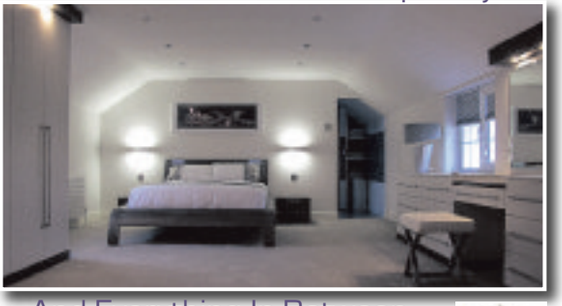
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Yam jokin ay yow? Ar I am, loffs comic Jonny

HE describes himself as an 'all Black Country bloke' who started writing 'daft songs' in his kitchen to make his mates and his family laugh.

But emerging comedy talent Jonny Cole says he has a wider audience in his sights as he reflects on the early stages of his life as a full-time comedian.

The Wednesbury comic is set to headline Birmingham's Glee Club on September 18, with top billing on the 12-date Black Country Night Out Tour to follow next year. His debut album and a DVD are due to hit the shops later this year.

It represents a meteoric rise through the comedy ranks for the 34-year-old. Until recently he was content to mix the occasional pub gig with a not-so-exciting working life of selling industrial supplies over the telephone.

Backed by a live band, Jonny's act features a mixture of songs and anecdotes based on his experiences of growing up in the Black Country.

It all started with a song he hastily wrote 'for a laugh' in a spare 20 minutes while he was having a cup of coffee in his kitchen. Wednesbury Song – which features the line 'and it dow matter if yo cor read, as long as yo can drink and as long as yo can breathe' – became a Youtube hit four years ago, chalking up nearly 60,000 views.

The response prompted him to create a comedy routine that has since seen him have audiences in clubs across the Midlands loffin' their yeds off. "I had no act at the time. It literally was just one song done for a laugh," he said. "My dad found it funny and told me to stick it on Youtube and everything just happened from there."

Jonny continued to record songs in his studio at his home in Lloyd Street, Wednesbury, including his paean to the Black Country lad Yam Yam – a reworking of the Dizzee Rascal track Bonkers – and the Billy Joel-inspired Tipton Girl. He also sprinkles a touch of his comedy magic onto The Bangles' Walk Like An Egyptian, turning it into Drink Loike Yam From Tipton.



Black Country bloke – Jonny Cole, who is now a full-time comedian

Earlier this year Jonny signed up with Brian Yeates Entertainment in a bid to take his act to the masses. His rise is not something his teachers predicted during his days as a pupil at Barr Beacon School in Walsall.

He said: "I was a bit of a joker and always good at messing around."

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Dudley's £6.7m market place redevelopment

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Phase one of this exciting project to transform Dudley town centre includes, laying high quality natural stone on roads and pavements, creating new car parking bays in Castle Street, disabled parking, a drop off point for park and ride and a motorcycle bay for three motorcycles as well as new lighting columns, seating and litter bins. The new public toilets also opened in Castle Street in July.

Dudley Council would like to thank shops, businesses, residents and shoppers for their continued patience during this time and hope that people continue to support their town centre.

Work on the market place itself started a few weeks ago and continues to progress well.

To find out more visit **http://www.dudley.gov.uk/business/regeneration/dudleymarketplaceredevelopment**

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Thursford Christmas Spectacular

Pick of the week

Two days departing November 14



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Set in the magical surroundings of mechanical organs and fairground carousels the Thursford Christmas Spectacular is the largest Christmas show in the country.

From just an organist and eight dancers in an old farm shed, it has grown since 1977 to become a festive phenomenon.

With an audience of over a hundred thousand and a budget of millions, tickets sell out months in advance. TV celebrities turn up in secret and Prince William has even been four times!

The three-hour performance delivers an extravaganza of non-stop music, singing, dancing, humour and variety and includes a cast of 130 professional entertainers, many who have performed in the West End.

A visit to Cambridge is also on the itinerary during this Norfolk break which is famous for its colleges, and especially King's College Chapel, with the world's largest fan vault and a priceless Rubens over the altar.

Maybe take a walk and enjoy the scenery or find time to visit the Fitzwilliam Museum (entrance payable locally) which holds collections of art and antiquities.

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Midge and Kiki in feast of the arts

SINGERS Midge Ure and Kiki Dee, broadcaster Joan Bakewell, actress Judy Cornwell and former Labour minister Chris Mullin form part of a varied bill as this year's Bewdley Festival celebrates its 27th year.

It will bring a feast the arts to the Worcestershire town for 10 days in October. Ultravox and Band Aid star Midge Ure opens the festival on October 10, his 61st birthday.

The line-up also includes comedian Hal Cruttenden, jazz star Courtney Pine, actress Jo Enright, pianist Andrei Gavrilov, historian Max Keen and a festival finale from The Overtures.

See www.bewdleyfestival.org.uk with tickets also available on 01905 611427 or from Bewdley Tourist Information Centre.

Real Estate sounds like good investment

BROOKLYN-BASED rock quintet Real Estate will be in concert at Digbeth venue The Institute on October 24.

The band originally from New Jersey have made one of best rock albums of the year so far with their Chicago-recorded Atlas, a slow burning sleeper hit of an album that is likely to be on many hipster summer playlists.

The Birmingham date (tickets £14.50) follows their appearance at The Green Man Festival in Wales this month and the release of new single Had To Hear coupled with theuir cover of The Nerves' Paper Dolls.

1970s musical is all set to be a real Blockbuster in Brum

FROM Sweet to Suzi Quatro, chart hits from the 1970s and 80s will feature in a new family musical arriving in Birmingham next month.

The cast of Blockbuster The Musical includes 70s pop star and TV sit-com actor Paul Nicholas along with former Hear'Say and Emmerdale star Suzanne Shaw.

The show is staged at the New Alexandra Theatre in Birmingham from September 23 to 27.

Paul Nicholas will play Crazy Max in the musical featuring the hits of the songwriting team Nicky Chinn and Mike Chapman.

Blockbuster the Musical begins in the modern era with Mickey Block, a young busker, singing in London's Soho. But when he crashes a car without insurance he is pursued by a loan shark and has to take refuge in Crazy Max's Retro Record shop.

Mystical Max tells him he can turn his life around if he performs two selfless deeds within seven days — and then finds himself transported back in time to London in 1975.



Paul Nicholas and Suzanne Shaw star in a musical

Friends

Paul Nicholas became a household favourite with his role as Vince in the award-winning BBC TV series Just Good Friends. His theatrical success began in 1969 in the original London production of Hair. This was followed by leading roles in Jesus Christ Superstar, Grease, Cats, Blondel and Charlie Girl.

He also appeared as the Pirate King in a highly successful production of The Pirates of Penzance and starred in the first ever national tour of Barnum.

In more recent years he has had a successful career as a theatre producer.

He said: "I am hoping it will be an entertaining family show.

"People can bring their children and also be reminded of the great songs from the 70s."

Suzanne is best known for winning the ITV show Popstars The Rivals and being in Hear'Say from 2001 to 2003.

She has since carved out a career in the West End, appearing in Chicago and The Rocky Horror Picture Show as well as becoming a regular on TB screens playing Eve Jensen in Emmerdale.

The book of the musical has been penned by David Soames, who co-wrote the musical Time for Cliff Richard which ran for two years in the West End.

The huge number of hits featured in the show will include chart-toppers by Sweet, Suzi Quatro, Smokie, Tina Turner and Mud, including Ballroom Blitz, Blockbuster, Teenager Rampage, Little Willy, Tiger Feet, Devil Gate Drive, Can The Can, Some Girls, Lay Back in the Arms of Someone, Living Next Door To Alice, Better Be Good to Me and Mickey.

California sunshine Creation

AMERICAN duo The Pierces are coming to Birmingham's Glee Club next month as part of a ten city UK tour to support their new album Creation.

It is the follow-up to sisters Allison and Catherine Pierce's 2011 breakthrough album, You & I, when the Alabama-born siblings also played the club venue in The Arcadian Centre.

Glorious

That album yielded radio favourites You'll Be Mine, Glorious and It Will Not Be Forgotten. It also won the girls a support slot to Coldplay.

Now resident in California, Creation reflects the duo's West Coast sun-drenched location while retaining the breezy, melodious charm of their previous folk/pop work, and includes single Kings.

Creation is out on September 1 and The Pierces play the Glee on September 24. Tickets £16.



The Pierces — sisters Catherine, left, and Allison

Asia putting back gig by 48 hours

ROCK band Asia have changed their date for a Black Country gig.

The British band had been due to play Wolverhampton's Wulfrun Hall on October 30 but this has been moved by 48 hours to November 1. Promoters said the change was due to the band having media commitments.

The British supergroup's 1982 debut album was the biggest selling album in America that year. The band reunited in 2006 and the latest four man line up includes John Wetton guitar and vocals, Carl Palmer drums, Geoff Downes keyboards and new guitarist Bromsgrove-born Sam Coulson, stepping into Steve Howe's shoes. They have a new album out entitled Gravitas.

War and fairy tale themes at ballet

CLASSIC ballets will be part of Birmingham Royal Ballet's autumn programme at its home theatre, Birmingham Hippodrome.

From September 30 to October 4, the timeless fairy tale Beauty and the Beast will return to the repertoire for magical performances choreographed by company director David Bintley.

The Shadows of War will follow from October 8 to 11, including Kenneth MacMillan's La Fin du jour, Bintley's Flowers of the Forest and Gillian Lynne's reworking of Robert Helpmann's groundbreaking 1940s work Miracle in the Gorbals.

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CHOICE



Sarah Harding

Tumble
(BBC1, 6.30pm)
Alex Jones hosts this celebrity contest in which famous faces perform gymnastics and circus skills for a judging panel including world-renowned Olympic gymnast Nadia Comaneci and Team GB medallist Louis Smith. Braving the tough training - and the tight spandex costumes - are world super-middleweight boxing champion Carl Froch, singers Amelle Berrabah and Sarah Harding, EastEnders actor John Partridge, former Blue Peter presenter Peter Duncan, Steps singer Ian 'H' Watkins, one-time Dynasty actress Emma Samms, Wolfblood star Bobby Lockwood, Loose Women anchor Andrea McLean and former TOWIE star Lucy Mecklenburgh. They begin with an acrobatic floor routine or by performing on the aerial hoop.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **10.00** Saturday Kitchen Live. **11.30** The Great British Bake Off. (R) **12.30** Bargain Hunt. (R) **1.00** BBC News; Weather. **1.15** Escape to the Country. (R) **2.00** Live Challenge Cup Rugby League. Warrington Wolves v Leeds Rhinos (Kick-off 2.30pm). **4.30** Final Score. **5.20** BBC News; Regional News; Weather. **5.40** Pointless Celebrities.

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8.00 The National Lottery: Break the Safe. Nick Knowles hosts the game show in which three pairs compete to play for a cash prize.

8.50 Casualty. A face from the past jeopardises Rita's future, while Lofty and Cal manage to reunite a family struggling to cope with their autistic son thanks to some creative thinking. Returning after a four-week break.

9.40 Mrs Brown's Boys. Rory and Dino have a bust-up, Mark and Betty announce they are leaving for Australia right away and a phone call causes the Brown children to suspect one of them may be adopted. (R)

10.10 BBC News; Weather.; National Lottery Update.

10.30 Michael McIntyre's Showtime. Stand-up comedy performed at the O2 in London during his 10-night run in 2012. (R)

11.30 The Football League Show.

12.50 Weather for the Week Ahead.

12.55 BBC News.

BBC2

6.25 Film: The Falcon and the Co-Eds. (1943) **7.30 Film:** The Falcon Out West. (1944) **8.35** The Living Planet. (R) **9.30** Sweets Made Simple. (R) **10.00** Railways of the Great War with Michael Portillo. (R) **10.30** Railways of the Great War with Michael Portillo. (R) **11.00** Railways of the Great War with Michael Portillo. (R) **11.30** Railways of the Great War with Michael Portillo. (R) **12.00** Railways of the Great War with Michael Portillo. (R) **12.30** Rick Stein's India. (R) **1.30** John Mills: Talking Pictures. (R) **2.05 Film:** We Dive at Dawn. (1943) Adventure, starring John Mills. **3.40** Flog It! (R) **4.00** Natural World: A Bear with a Bounty. (R) **5.00** Live Cycling.

6.00 Great War Diaries. A second batch of dramatic reconstructions based on the letters and journals people whose lives were affected by the First World War. A young Cossack girl experiences a gas attack on the Russian front; an Austrian soldier despairs as he is transported to Siberia; and a Scottish volunteer nurse desperately tries to help the survivors of the genocide in Armenia. A traumatised Italian-American believes he is possessed by the Holy Spirit; a British officer has to act as tour guide for an MP; a German soldier witnesses the horrors of the Somme and a schoolgirl is drawn into a brief romance with a young airman.

7.00 Celebrity Antiques Road Trip. Fern Britton goes up against her husband Phil Vickery in the heirloom-hunting challenge, with expert advice from Mark Stacey and James Braxton. (R)

8.00 Dad's Army. A daring bid to rescue Walker and Godfrey from a stricken pumping station ends with Mainwaring and his whole platoon trapped and facing the prospect of drowning. (R)

8.30 Proms Extra 2014. Katie Derham is joined by opera star Willard White, who performs in the studio.

9.15 Melvyn Bragg's Radical Lives. Part two of two. The broadcaster examines the life of 18th-century English radical Thomas Paine, whose works inspired the American and French revolutions.

10.15 QI XL. Extended edition. (R)

11.00 Film: Seraphim Falls. (2006) Western thriller, starring Pierce Brosnan and Anjelica Huston.

12.45 Film: Mother's Boys. (1994) **2.15** This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Pat & Stan. **6.10** Pat & Stan. (R) **6.20** Pat & Stan. (R) **6.25** Dino Dan. (R) **6.35** Dino Dan. (R) **6.50** Canimals. (R) **6.55** Canimals. (R) **7.05** Sooty. (R) **7.15** Nerds & Monsters. (R) **7.25** Nerds & Monsters. (R) **7.40** Mr Bean: The Animated Series. (R) **7.55** Chowder. (R) **8.10** Chowder. (R) **8.25** ITV News. **8.30** Weekend. **9.25** The Hungry Sailors. (R) **10.25 Film:** Murder, She Wrote: The Last Free Man. (2001) **12.15** ITV News; Weather. **12.20** Storage Hoarders. (R) **1.20** The Unforgettable Ernie Wise. (R) **2.20** Peter Andre's 60 Minute Makeover. (R) **3.25** All Star Mr & Mrs. (R) **4.25 Film:** Housesitter. (1992) Romantic comedy, starring Steve Martin and Goldie Hawn.

6.20 Regional Programme; Weather.

6.30 ITV News; Weather.

6.45 The Guide to You've Been Framed! Comedian Harry Hill presents a compilation of viewer-submitted comical clips, including a dog on a slide, a cat trying to take part in a game of table tennis, and an elderly woman falling foul of a micro-scooter. (R)

7.45 Tipping Point: Lucky Stars. Impressionist and comedian Jon Culshaw, TV and radio presenter Jenni Falconer and former Dancing on Ice judge Jason Gardiner take turns on the arcade-style token-pushing machine. Dropping counters down a choice of four chutes, the celebrity contestants hope to knock piles of them off a moving shelf – and the more they collect, the better their chances of scooping the £20,000 prize for a charity of their choice. Game show, hosted by Ben Shephard.

8.45 All Star Family Fortunes. Casualty's Patrick Robinson and Big Brother's Bit on the Side host Rylan Clark team up with their families to win money for charity. Vernon Kay presents the game show. (R)

9.45 Film: Star Wars: Episode IV – A New Hope. (1977) Farm boy Luke Skywalker sets out to rescue a princess from the clutches of evil Darth Vader. George Lucas's sci-fi adventure, starring Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford and Carrie Fisher. Continues after the News.

10.40 ITV News; Weather.

10.55 Film: Star Wars: Episode IV – A New Hope. (1977) Concluded.

12.30 The Cube. (R) **1.20** Jackpot247. **3.00** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. (R) **3.40** ITV Nightscreen.

CHANNEL 4

6.05 Trans World Sport. **7.00** Armoy Road Races. **8.00** The Morning Line. **9.00** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **9.25** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **9.55** Frasier. (R) **10.25** Frasier. (R) **10.55** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **11.20** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **11.45** The Simpsons. (R) **12.10** The Simpsons. (R) **12.40** Speed with Guy Martin. (R) **1.40** Channel 4 Racing. Live coverage from Ascot, Haydock Park and Newmarket. **4.10** Come Dine with Me. (R) **4.40** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.10** Come Dine with Me. (R) **5.40** Come Dine with Me. (R)

6.15 Come Dine with Me. Businessman Ken Brown hosts the final dinner party in Co Durham and Wearside, and provides his guests with some unique entertainment before the winner is announced. (R)

6.40 Channel 4 News.

7.05 Amazing Spaces Shed of the Year. George Clarke presents the Normal and Pub Shed categories, featuring a Dad's Army-themed creation and a 1970s amusement park, before choosing the overall winner. Last in the series. (R)

8.00 Grand Designs. Kevin McCloud follows interior designer Kathryn Tyler as she tries to create a Scandinavian-style eco house in her mother's back garden in Falmouth, Cornwall. The plan is ambitious, featuring a white-painted brick ground floor, a lightweight timber-frame first floor and cleverly designed spaces, but the small size of the plot and Kathryn's inexperience could hamper the project. (R)

9.00 Film: Immortals. (2011) Premiere. A power-mad ancient Greek king raises an army with the intention of not only conquering the known world, but using a mystical weapon to unleash the legendary titans and overthrow the gods. The immortal deities are unable to interfere directly, so select a mortal man to be their champion and defeat the tyrant. Mythological adventure, starring Henry Cavill and Mickey Rourke.

11.10 Film: Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street. (2008) A Victorian barber obsessed with revenge takes to murdering his clients. Tim Burton's adaptation of Stephen Sondheim's musical horror, starring Johnny Depp.

1.15 The Last Leg. (R) **2.00** Utopia. (R) **2.55** Homeland. (R) **4.00** Hollyoaks.

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake! **10.00** Access. **10.10** Meerkat Manor. (R) **10.40** Police Interceptors. (R) **11.40** Ultimate Police Interceptors. (R) **12.40 Film:** Rocky IV. (1985) Boxing drama, starring Sylvester Stallone. **2.30 Film:** Any Which Way You Can. (1980) Comedy sequel, starring Clint Eastwood. **4.40 Film:** The Sea Wolves. (1980) Second World War adventure, with Gregory Peck.

7.00 Cricket on 5. England v India. Mark Nicholas presents action from the third day of the Fourth Test at Old Trafford as the five-match series continued. England boast an excellent recent record here in this format, having won six and drawn two of their last eight Tests, including a stalemate against Australia in their last match at this venue 12 months ago. Commentary and analysis by Geoffrey Boycott, Michael Vaughan, Sunil Gavaskar and Simon Hughes.

8.00 World's Worst Storms. Documentary featuring footage of some of the world's most extreme weather captured by those who survived it. In Indianapolis, freak winds cause a 32-ton stage to collapse on top of spectators, Hurricane Sandy strikes a small coastal town in New York and a tornado tears a peaceful Illinois neighbourhood to pieces. (R)

8.55 5 News Weekend.

9.00 Big Brother. Highlights of another 24 hours in the Big Brother house. Including another chance to see last night's eviction, revealing the latest unlucky housemate who was given just 30 seconds to say their goodbyes, and how their departure has affected the others.

10.00 Dangerous Dog Owners & Proud. People whose dogs are either illegal, trained to be dangerous, or both, including a man who can make his red-nosed pit bull behave aggressively with a simple command. (R)

11.05 Big Brother's Bit on the Psych. Rylan Clark, Iain Lee and Luisa Zissman analyse the housemates' behaviour as they enter their last week, with input from psychologists and body-language experts. Last in the series.

12.00 SuperCasino. **3.10** Big Brother. (R) **4.00** House Doctor. (R) **4.25** Make It Big. (R) **5.15** Angels of Jarm. (R) **5.40** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three

7.00 Doctor Who: The Day of the Doctor **8.20** Top Gear **9.05** Russell Howard's Good News **9.35 Film:** Old School (2003) **11.05** Family Guy **2.00** People Just Do Nothing **3.00** Sexy Beasts **3.30** Russell Howard's Good News **4.00** Close

BBC Four

7.00 Sounds of the 70s 2 Rock – The Boys Are Back in Town **7.30** Eisteddfod 2014 **8.00** Human Planet **9.00** Inspector Montalbano **10.45** Robert Plant @ Glastonbury **12.00** Robert Plant: By Myself **1.00** Guitar Heroes at the BBC **2.00** Human Planet **3.00** Pop! The Science of Bubbles **4.00** Close

ITV2

11.35 Take Me Out **12.45 Film:** Small Soldiers (1998) **2.55 Film:** Scooby-Doo (2002) **4.40** You've Been Framed! **5.40** You've Been Framed Extreme! **6.45 Film:** Back to the Future (1985) **9.00 Film:** The Holiday (2006) **11.45 Film:** Billy Madison (1995) **1.35** The Magaluf Weekender **2.25** Life's Funniest Moments **2.50** Teleshopping **5.50** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3

12.45 The Railway Children **2.50** A Touch of Frost **7.00** Lewis **9.00** Foyle's War **11.00** Bomb Girls **12.00** A Touch of Frost **1.55** ITV3 Nightscreen **2.30** Teleshopping

ITV4

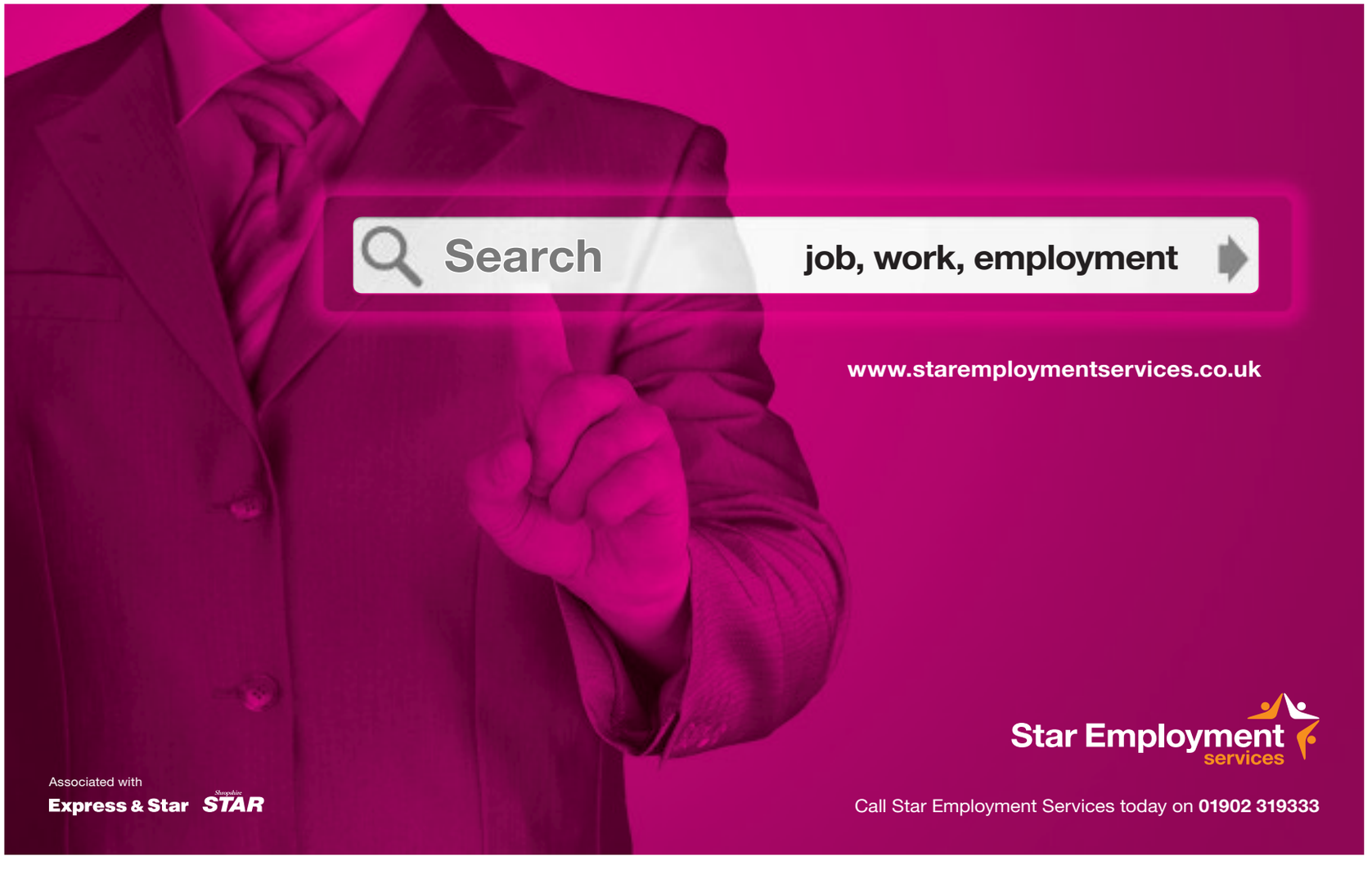
11.30 The Cycle Show **12.30** Alias Smith and Jones **1.40** British Touring Car Championship Highlights **3.15** British Superbike Championship Highlights **4.15** Storage Wars **5.15** Live Pre-Season Football. Tottenham Hotspur v Schalke 04 (Kick-off 5.30pm). **7.30 Film:** Thunderball (1965) **10.10 Film:** Ocean's Eleven (2001) **12.30** Hornblower **2.35** World of Sport: TV Firsts **2.50** ITV4 Nightscreen **3.00** Teleshopping **3.30** The Store **4.30** Teleshopping

E4

11.30 Marvel's Agents of SHIELD **12.30** The Big Bang Theory **1.30** How I Met Your Mother **2.30** The Big Bang Theory **3.30** Melissa & Joey **4.30 Film:** Lemony Snicket's A Series of Unfortunate Events (2004) **6.35** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **7.00** The Big Bang Theory **8.00 Film:** Twilight (2008) **10.30** The 100 **11.30** The Big Bang Theory **12.30** Virtually Famous **1.20** How I Met Your Mother **2.40** Bob's Burgers **3.00** Rules of Engagement **3.25** The Mindy Project **4.15** Desperate Housewives

Film4

11.00 On the Fiddle (1961) **1.00** New in Town (2009) **2.50** Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Rodrick Rules (2011) **4.50** August Rush (2007) **7.00** The Day the Earth Stood Still (2008) **9.00** Devil (2010) **10.35** Underworld: Rise of the Lycans (2009) **12.20** Punch-Drunk Love (2003) **2.10** Snake in the Eagle's Shadow (1978)



CHOICE



Maxine Peake

The Village (BBC1, 9pm)

The epic drama charting the life and times of Peak District villagers moves into the 1920s, where the arrival of the jazz age has radically changed old perceptions of love, sex and politics. Life is good for the Allinghams in the big house, who are throwing a weekend party, and as part of their entertainment Bert takes part in a race – only to be accused of cheating. His father John is now a dairy farmer, but is struggling to pay the rent on his barn. However, Bert comes up with a money-making plan when boxer Ghana Jones, who has been barred from fighting professionally because of the colour of his skin, offers all-comers a chance to take him on. Tom Varey joins the cast as the 21-year-old Bert, with Maxine Peake and John Simm.

BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. **10.00** Sunday Morning Live. **11.00** Homes Under the Hammer. (R) **12.00** Bargain Hunt. **1.00** BBC News. **1.15** Escape to the Country. (R) **2.00** Live Cycling. The RideLondon-Surrey Classic.

6.35 BBC News; Regional News; Weather.

7.00 Antiques Roadshow. Fiona Bruce and the experts return to Hampton Court Castle in Herefordshire, where items up for valuation include a silver dish given to former prime minister Neville Chamberlain, a set of drinking urns shaped as Herefordshire bulls, and a collection of SAS medals. (R)

8.00 Countryfile: Summer Special. Summer special in which the team celebrates the best in rural Britain at the Cotswold County Show in Cirencester. Ellie Harrison tries her hand at archery, Adam Henson invites city dwellers for a taste of life on the farm and Matt Baker discovers how 100 years ago the showground played host to soldiers rather than summer revellers. John Craven cooks up a seasonal feast with 2011 Celebrity MasterChef winner Phil Vickery, poet Ian McMillan and cartoonist Tony Husband capture an artistic view of the day and John Hammond explains the science of the summer weather.

9.00 The Village. New series. The drama set in a Peak District village moves into the 1920s. John is now a dairy farmer but is struggling with his rent, so son Bert takes to the boxing ring.

10.00 BBC News; Regional News.

10.25 MOTD: Community Shield Highlights. Jason Mohammad introduces action from the Community Shield at Wembley Stadium, as Arsenal and Manchester City clashed for the first silverware of the season.

11.10 Live at the Apollo. Alan Carr hosts the stand-up show at London's Hammersmith Apollo, introducing routines by comedians Andi Osho and Patrick Kielty. (R)

11.40 Film: Annapolis. (2006) A trainee cadet at a naval academy clashes with a senior officer and ends up having to fight him in a boxing match. Drama, starring James Franco and Donnie Wahlberg.

1.15 Weather for the Week Ahead. **1.20** BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 Countryfile. (R) **7.00** Alan Titchmarsh's Garden Secrets. (R) **8.00** Gardeners' World. (R) **8.30** The Beechgrove Garden. **9.00** The Football League Show. (R) **10.20** Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. **11.50** Rick Stein's India. (R) **12.50 Film:** Firecreek. (1968) Western, starring James Stewart. **2.30** Live Challenge Cup Rugby League. Castleford Tigers v Widnes Vikings (Kick-off 3.00pm). **5.00** Songs of Praise. **5.35** Flog It! (R)

6.00 Celebrity Antiques Road Trip. Janice Long takes on her Radio 2 colleague Ken Bruce as they embark on a road trip around Oxfordshire with experts Christina Trevanion and Paul Laidlaw, searching for antiques that will sell at auction for a profit. Along the way, Ken indulges his passion for buses. (R)

7.00 Tropic of Capricorn. Simon Reeve continues his quest to trace the southern tropic, travelling from South Africa to Madagascar. In Zimbabwe, the presenter comes face to face with the harsh realities of the refugee crisis, and witnesses a unique method of land-mine disposal in Mozambique. Heading to the Madagascan islands, he discovers an unusual local delicacy, and visits a town where the poor make a living by digging for sapphires. (R)

8.00 Dragons' Den. Business ideas pitched include a product that uses nano-suction technology, gourmet marshmallow treats, an alarmed LED walking stick and a cycling brand for the larger figure.

9.00 James May's Cars of the People. New series. The Top Gear presenter examines the social significance of cars in the 20th century, beginning by looking at how dictators kick-started the mobilisation of the masses.

10.00 Legacy. A trainee MI6 agent sets out to recruit a Soviet diplomat, but finds evidence of a KGB plot to mount an attack within the UK. Cold War thriller set in 1974, starring Charlie Cox. (R)

11.30 Film: The Trench. (1999) British soldiers in the trenches begin to question their leaders' honesty in the build-up to the Battle of the Somme. First World War drama, starring Daniel Craig and Paul Nicholls.

1.05 Sign Zone: Countryfile. (R) **2.00** Holby City. (R) **3.00** This Is BBC Two.

ITV

6.00 CITV: Pat & Stan. **6.25** Dino Dan. (R) **6.35** Dino Dan. (R) **6.50** Canimals. (R) **6.55** Canimals. (R) **7.05** Sooty. (R) **7.15** Nerds & Monsters. (R) **7.25** Nerds & Monsters. (R) **7.40** Mr Bean: The Animated Series. (R) **7.55** Chowder. (R) **8.10** Chowder. (R) **8.25** ITV News. **8.30** Weekend. **9.25** May the Best House Win. (R) **10.25** Murder, She Wrote. (R) **11.20** ITV News. **11.30** Love Your Garden. (R) **12.30** Long Lost Family. (R) **1.30 Film:** Columbo: Troubled Waters. (1975) Drama, with Peter Falk. **3.30** Midsomer Murders. (R) **5.35** Tipping Point. (R)

6.30 Regional Programme; Weather.

6.45 ITV News; Weather.

7.00 Come On Down! The Game Show Story. New series. Bradley Walsh charts the history of the TV game show, interviewing some of the biggest names in showbiz and sharing his favourite moments from a format that has entertained audiences for more than 60 years. In the first edition, Bruce Forsyth talks about his game show career spanning six decades, Terry Wogan reveals the secrets behind the success of Blankety Blank and there are contributions from a host of other stars.

8.00 The Zoo. New series. The documentary follows staff at London Zoo and Whipsnade as they breed critically endangered animals. This edition charts the journey of three Sumatran tiger cubs.

9.00 The Great War: The People's Story. New series. Stars including Daniel Mays, Matthew McNulty and MyAnna Buring bring to life the original diaries, letters and memoirs of men and women caught up in the First World War.

10.00 ITV News; Weather.

10.15 Kids with Cameras: Diary of a Children's Ward. Documentary in which more than 100 youngsters are each given cameras to record their experiences as patients at Newcastle's Great North Children's Hospital. (R)

11.15 Premiership Rugby 7s Series. Highlights of finals night from the Stoop, where the qualifiers from the group stage competed in two pools of four, with the two teams that topped the tables competing in the final.

12.15 The Store. **2.15** Motorsport UK. **3.10** British Superbike Championship Highlights. **4.05** Britain's Best Bakery. (R) **4.55** ITV Nightscreen. **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R)

CHANNEL 4

6.10 How I Met Your Mother. (R) **6.35** How I Met Your Mother. (R) **7.00** Caterham Motorsport. **7.30** London Triathlon. **8.30** Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) **9.00** Frasier. (R) **9.30** Sunday Brunch. **12.30** George Clarke's Amazing Spaces. (R) **1.30** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **2.00** The Big Bang Theory. (R) **2.25** The Simpsons. (R) **2.55** The Simpsons. (R) **3.25 Film:** Step Up 3. (2010) Dance drama sequel, starring Rick Malambri. **5.35** Deal or No Deal.

6.30 Channel 4 News.

7.00 Tom's Fantastic Floating Home. Inventor Tom Lawton works tirelessly to complete his floating home before taking it for a maiden voyage down the river. This time he turns his creative imagination to rest and relaxation by reimagining the sofa as a stargazing seating area, bringing light below deck with a fibre-optic solar jellyfish, and making an inflatable bed out of tennis balls. Last in the series.

8.00 The Mill. Eight months have passed and single Esther is in the last stages of pregnancy. Despite a difficult labour, she finally gives birth to a healthy boy and returns to work the following day, but struggles to keep pace. Despite the overwhelming success of the Kersal Moor rally, the Chartist Petition – containing more than a million signatures – is rejected by Parliament. Daniel urges his angry comrades not to resort to physical force, although he fails to show similar restraint toward his wife Susannah when she tells him she wants to return to work.

9.00 Child Genius. It's the final and just six gifted youngsters remain in the battle to be crowned Child Genius. Each of them has chosen a complex specialist subject to be tested on, from particle physics and string theory, to the Battle of Stamford Bridge, with questions devised by leading experts in their chosen field. Last in the series.

10.00 Film: The Eagle. (2011) A Roman centurion and his British slave journey into the wilds of Scotland to recover the standard of a lost legion. Action adventure, starring Channing Tatum and Jamie Bell.

12.15 Film: Red Cliff. (2008) **2.40** First Time Farmers. (R) **3.35** The Million Pound Drop. (R) **4.30** Deal or No Deal. (R) **5.25** Gordon Ramsay's Home Cooking. (R) **5.50** River Cottage Bites. (R)

CHANNEL 5

6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. **6.05** Roary the Racing Car. (R) **6.15** Abby's Flying Fairy School. (R) **6.25** Bubble Guppies. (R) **6.35** The Mr Men Show. (R) **6.50** Chloe's Closet. (R) **7.00** Roobarb and Custard Too. (R) **7.10** Bananas in Pyjamas. (R) **7.25** Make Way for Noddy. (R) **7.35** City of Friends. (R) **7.50** Little Princess. (R) **8.00** The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) **8.15** Olly the Little White Van. (R) **8.20** Angelina Ballerina. (R) **8.35** Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. (R) **8.40** Rupert Bear. (R) **8.55** Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) **9.15** Jelly Jamm. (R) **9.30** LazyTown. (R) **10.00** Access. (R) **10.10** Police Interceptors. (R) **11.10** Police Interceptors. (R) **12.10** Police Interceptors. (R) **1.10 Film:** Police Academy 4: Citizens on Patrol. (1987) **2.55 Film:** Baby Boom. (1987) Comedy, starring Diane Keaton. **5.05 Film:** The Water Horse: Legend of the Deep. (2007) Adventure, starring Alex Etel.

7.00 Cricket on 5. England v India. Mark Nicholas presents action from day four of the Fourth Test at Old Trafford as the five-match series continued.

7.55 5 News Weekend.

8.00 Caught with Their Fingers in the Till. Documentary exploring three instances of thieving employees who brought the companies they worked for to their knees. Bookkeeper Janet saddled a trusting community with over £1million of debt by claiming false grants while stealing from the local parish council, while Kirsty spent years earning the trust of her employer while quietly pocketing around £300,000 which she spent on online shopping and her dream wedding. Serial fraudster Stephen splashed out on home improvements and fed his gambling habit, leading to his boss being forced to shut down the business and dismiss 50 staff.

9.00 Big Brother. Daily round-up of highlights.

10.00 Film: Killers. (2010) A spy puts his life of espionage behind him and settles into domestic bliss, until a contract is placed on his life. Action comedy, with Ashton Kutcher and Katherine Heigl.

12.00 Shoplifters and Proud. (R) **1.00** SuperCasino. **3.10** World's Scariest Drivers. (R) **4.00** House Doctor. (R) **4.25** Make It Big. (R) **5.15** Angels of Jarm. (R) **5.40** Roary the Racing Car. (R)

DIGITAL

BBC Three

7.00 Great Movie Mistakes III: Not in 3D **7.10 Film:** Raiders of the Lost Ark (1981) **9.00** Our World War **10.00** Family Guy **10.45** Siblings **11.15** Cuckoo **11.45** American Dad! **12.30** Sexy Beasts **1.00** Siblings **1.30** Cuckoo **2.00** Russell Howard's Good News **2.30** Impractical Jokers

BBC Four

7.00 The Sunday Prom: John Tavener Premiere **8.25** Secret Knowledge: Bolsover Castle with Lucy Worsley **9.00** Great Poets in Their Own Words **10.00** Edinburgh Extra **11.00** The Sky at Night **11.30** Horizon: 40 Years on the Moon **12.30** Imagine – Rod Stewart: Can't Stop Me Now **1.55** Rod Stewart at the BBC **2.55** Sings the Great American Songbook **3.55** Close

ITV2

12.35 America's Got Talent **3.20** You've Been Framed! **3.55** You've Been Framed! Kids Special **4.55 Film:** Scooby-Doo 2: Monsters Unleashed (2004) **6.50 Film:** Back to the Future Part II (1989) **9.00 Film:** Shaun of the Dead (2004) **11.00 Film:** State of Play (2009) **1.25** The Big Reunion 2014 **2.20** You've Been Framed! **2.45** Teleshopping **5.45** ITV Nightscreen

ITV3

1.00 Inspector Morse **3.25 Film:** Holiday On the Buses (1973) **5.05** The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes **6.20 Film:** Columbo: Fade in to Murder (1976) **8.00** Lewis **10.00 Film:** The Pianist (2002) **1.00** William and Mary **1.55** The Adventures of Sherlock Holmes **2.50** ITV3 Nightscreen **3.15** Emmerdale

ITV4

11.25 The Car Chasers **12.30 Film:** The Secret War of Harry Frigg (1967) **2.45 Film:** Battle of the Bulge (1965) **6.00** Storage Wars **8.00** Premiership Rugby 7's Series **9.00 Film:** Driven to Kill (2009) **11.00** Hell on Wheels **11.55** Alias Smith and Jones **1.00** River Monsters **2.05** Richard Bacon's Beer and Pizza Club **2.40** Movies Now

E4

12.35 How I Met Your Mother **1.35** Marvel's Agents of SHIELD **2.35** Suburgatory **3.00** The Mindy Project **3.30** New Girl **4.00** The Big Bang Theory **5.00** The 100 **6.00** Rude(ish) Tube **6.55 Film:** The Wedding Planner (2001) **9.00** Made in Chelsea NYC **10.00** Almost Royal **10.35** The Big Bang Theory **11.35** Virtually Famous **12.25** Rules of Engagement **1.20** Ben Earl: Trick Artist **2.20** The Cleveland Show **3.20** Hollyoaks

Film4

11.00 Geordie (1955) **1.00** The Italian Job (1969) **3.00** Aliens in the Attic (2009) **4.45** King Solomon's Mines (1985) **6.40** Percy Jackson & the Lightning Thief (2010) **9.00** Colombiana (2011) **11.05** Memento (2000) **1.20** Away We Go (2009) **3.15** Close

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FILM CHOICES

MONDAY

A Nanny's Secret, Channel 5, 3.15pm

A burglary at the home of a wealthy family results in a death. The nanny fears her troubled brother may be the culprit, but keeps her suspicions from her employers, mounting her own secret investigation to find out who was responsible. Thriller, starring Haylie Duff. (2009)

TUESDAY

A Surrogate's Terror, Channel 5, 3.15pm

A college student agrees to be a surrogate mother for a wealthy couple in return for her tuition fees being paid, only for the prospective parents to die in a car crash. She faces an uncertain future as the grandmother of her unborn child gets custody of it and assumes control over every aspect of her life. Drama, starring Cassie Steele and Mimi Kuzyk. (2014)

WEDNESDAY

Sharpay's Fabulous Adventure, BBC2, 12pm

A teenage prima donna is convinced her dreams of fame have come true when she meets a Broadway casting director. She heads for New York expecting to see her name in lights, only to find it is her dog that is going to be a star. Comedy, with Ashley Tisdale. (2011)



Dog Day Afternoon, Friday, ITV, 10.40pm

THURSDAY

Biker Boyz, BBC1, 11.35pm

The son of a mechanic killed in a crash is determined to honour his father's memory by becoming a champion motorcycle racer. However, the leader of the underground motorcycle club where his father worked refuses to let him join. Outraged, the young biker assembles his own team and vows to avenge the insult, proving once and for all who the fastest rider really is. Action drama, starring Laurence Fishburne, Derek Luke, Orlando Jones and Lisa Bonet. (2003)

FRIDAY

Dog Day Afternoon, ITV, 10.40pm

A hapless bank robber sees his simple heist turn into a hostage situation and a media circus. Sidney Lumet's fact-based drama, starring Al Pacino. (1975)

The English Patient, BBC2, 11.05pm

The enigmatic, badly burned survivor of a Second World War plane crash is tended by a French-Canadian nurse in a derelict Italian monastery. He tells her the story of his passionate love affair with a married Englishwoman. Oscar-winning romantic drama, starring Ralph Fiennes and Kristin Scott Thomas. (1996)

PICK OF THE WEEK

Looking back at times of capital punishment

Over the years, British movies 10 Rillington Place, Dance with a Stranger and Let Him Have It have addressed the often disturbing subject of innocent and guilty people sentenced to death because of their connection with murder.

Now, half a century since Peter Allen and Gwynne Evans became the last two men to be hanged in Britain, this documentary looks back on people sentenced to death in the UK. Fourteen years before Allen and Evans were executed, Londoner Timothy Evans of Notting Hill was sentenced to death for the murder of his wife Beryl and baby daughter Geraldine. Maureen Westlake, Timothy's sister, is still tortured by the pain of injustice to this day.

For the first time, she speaks about the tragedy of her innocent brother going to the gallows for another man's heinous crime. Serial killer John Christie lived in the basement flat of the Evan's home at 10 Rillington Place. Timothy was in a highly emotional state following the deaths of his wife and daughter. An impressionable man, he would admit to anything, and made a false statement admitting to both murders after being coerced by the police.

However, after being charged with murder, Timothy retracted his confession and protested his innocence. Maureen, who saw him in prison with her sister Eileen, recalls the meeting: "And I kept crying. And he said to Eileen 'What does she keep crying for?' and she said, 'You know what she's crying [about] Tim. Beryl and the baby,' and he said, 'I didn't do it, Eileen' He said 'Christie did it.' "And the last time I saw him, he did look like a 10-year-old. His face was all pale. Waved and he said, 'cheerio.'"

Timothy was eventually granted a Royal Pardon in 1966, 16 years after being executed. Christie's crimes had been uncovered, but Timothy's conviction for murdering his daughter was not expunged, a matter which still plagues Maureen: "I feel that I have gone as far as I can," she explains. "But I think I am going to go to my grave still thinking that this Government have still not cleared him properly. And I still say it's the Government that killed that murdered Tim. Not killed him. Murdered him."

The makers of Executed visit prisons where death sentences were carried out until its abolition. Viewers also get a close look at how the condemned would have spent their last days, and the techniques and procedures used by the executioners.

This film also examines the case of 19-year old Derek Bentley. In 1953, he was hanged for the murder of a policeman, despite the fact he did not fire the fatal shot and had a mental age of 11. It was claimed he had uttered the words 'Let him have it' to incite his partner in crime Christopher Craig to shoot.

The show also features a profile of Ruth Ellis, the 28-year-old who was executed in 1955 for the shooting of her lover David Blakely. She became the last woman to be hanged in Britain, and her story was adapted for acclaimed 1985 movie Dance with a Stranger.



Dave Rodham features in Executed, Tuesday, ITV, 9pm

BEST OF THE REST

MONDAY

Kate Adie's Women of World War One
BBC2, 9pm

As a distinguished war reporter, Kate Adie knows a thing or two about being on the frontline. But in this documentary, part of the BBC's ongoing season marking the centenary of the outbreak of the First World War, she's more interested in the women left on the Home Front. She discovers that for many of them, it was a chance to prove they could take on 'men's' jobs, from making shells and driving trams to forming a police force, operating on male patients and playing football in front of tens of thousands of spectators. But while some women experienced their first taste of freedom, it was also a time of bereavement and uncertainty. Adie asks whether the advances of the war continued after 1918, or if peacetime saw women banished back to the kitchen.

TUESDAY

Love Your Garden
ITV, 8pm

The team comes to the aid of Luke Simpson, who lost his leg in an explosion on his last tour of duty in Afghanistan. While rebuilding his life and health with the support of his wife Jackie, the war hero has struggled to make progress on the garden of his dreams. As Alan and the crew work their magic, Frances Tophill reveals the key design elements for a cottage-style plot, Katie Rushworth demonstrates how to make the most out of cut flowers and David Domoney provides hints and tips on maintaining the perfect lawn. Last in the series.

In the Club
BBC1, 9pm

With Rick on the run from the police, Diane struggles to accept the reality of what he has done. She turns to Roanna, the only person she feels she can trust, for some much-needed support - but it looks like the stress of the situation may have brought on her labour as she starts to experience pains that feel much more than Braxton Hicks. Jasmin and Dev have a houseguest, Diane's husband Rick, but when the police turn up the newlyweds are shocked to find out what's really going on. Will they cover for him? Teaching assistant Kim is also feeling the pressure in the aftermath of Rosie's dad's accident. When social services get involved her sense of responsibility is tested as she tries to protect the schoolgirl and her baby. Kay Mellor's drama, starring Jill Halfpenny, Will Mellor and Hermione Norris.



Bloomers, Friday, BBC1, 9pm

WEDNESDAY

Secrets from the Clink
ITV, 9pm

Part two of two. Strictly Come Dancing judge Len Goodman explores the next chapter in the story of his great-great-grandfather, finding out how years of hard labour took their toll. Actress Michelle Collins is horrified to discover the Dickensian conditions one of her forebears experienced in a debtors' prison after the collapse of his business in tough economic times. Journalist Daisy McAndrew follows the tale of an ancestor who dodged the hangman's noose and was transported to Australia, where her fortunes changed.

THURSDAY

Location, Location, Location
Channel 4, 8pm

New series. Kirstie Allsopp and Phil Spencer guide prospective buyers through the complex world of property viewings and agents. They begin in the popular commuter county of Kent, where homes are snapped up quickly due to their proximity to London. Robin and Gemma have recently returned to the UK after three years in Singapore and want a family home to bring up their baby, while in Tunbridge Wells, Gemma and Barney are looking to buy their first place together in a very competitive market.

FRIDAY

Boomers
BBC1, 9pm

New series. Comedy following the ups and downs of three newly retired couples living in the Norfolk resort of Thurnemouth. The friends prepare for the funeral of old friend Jean, although Alan seems more interested that her ex-husband, his old friend Mick, is flying over from Spain for the service. John is wary of the visitor, convinced he has had a thing for his wife Maureen ever since a notorious holiday in Weymouth many moons ago. Meanwhile, Joyce is preoccupied with the thought of her daughter-in-law giving birth any day now. Philip Jackson, Alison Steadman, Russ Abbot, Stephanie Beacham, Paula Wilcox and James Smith star, with a guest appearance by Nigel Planer.

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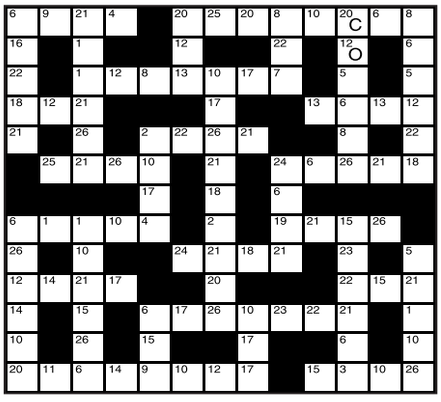
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Codeword

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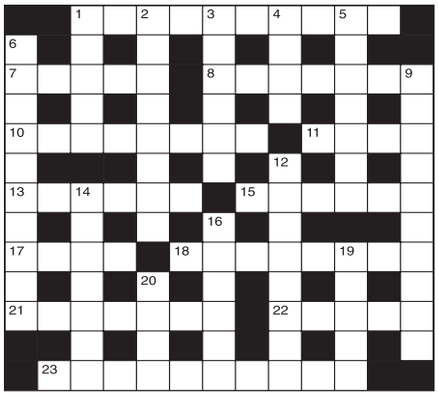
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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION:

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Double Crossword

Choose either quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.



Cryptic Clues:

Across

1. Allowed the minutes to pass without taking any action (6,4)
7. This will turn a strip of wood to the East (5)
8. Real mix-up before Edward said what happened (7)
10. Going on foot or by car past the street (8)
11. It's nearly a swindle for one who's married in Germany (4)
13. Able to move to Alabama port (6)
15. Slave girl returning to Virginia (6)
17. A complete revolution will produce an emotional shock (4)
18. Meet a hundred on the promenade (8)
21. Getting news of the trial (7)
22. "Tempest" character changing to one in "Lear" adaptation (5)
23. Pledges oneself to carry out a grave act? (10)

Down

1 & 20Dn. It was reed tangled at the river's brink (5-4)
2. Tidy sale arranged in a controlled way (8)
3. Headless fish taking the wrong course (6)
4. In fact, a lengthy account (4)
5. USA term comes to fruition in a different way (7)
6. Finish the game - an evenly contested affair (5,5)
9. Not the conversation of the single-minded? (6,4)
12. Only partially support a member of the football team (4-4)
14. One coming to terms, strikes before this! (7)
16. Tried to find a particular variety, one hears (6)
19. Doesn't include part of the kingdom, it seems (5)
20. See 1 Down

Quick Clues:

Across

1. Help (10)
7. Taut (5)
8. Red wine (7)
10. Recounted (8)
11. Row (4)
13. Really (6)
15. Restraint (6)
17. Every (4)
18. Equatorial (8)
21. Sturdiness (7)
22. Intone (5)
23. Unnecessarily (10)

Down

1. Drilling tool (5)
2. Placed (8)
3. Confidential (6)
4. Parched (4)
5. Terse (7)
6. Parsimony (10)
9. Wavering (10)
12. Patronage (8)
14. Assert (7)
16. Decorated (6)
19. Mad (5)
20. Species (4)

Sudoku

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS >

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LAST WEEK'S CROSSWORD SOLUTIONS: CRYPTIC - Across: 6 Capital; 7 Gains; 9 Let; 10 Meandered; 12 Jumble-sales; 15 Dumb blondes; 17 Bell-tents; 19 Arm; 21 Clown; 22 Compose. Down: 1 Cameo; 2 Tip; 3 Jade; 4 Pace-maker; 5 Angered; 8 Intern; 11 Furbelows; 13 Bullet; 14 Cure-all; 16 Crash; 18 Toot; 20 Spa. QUICK - Across: 6 Barrier; 7 Annoy; 9 Try; 10 Interests; 12 Reparations; 15 Short-handed; 17 Community; 19 Way; 21 Agent; 22 Passive. Down: 1 Parry; 2 Dry; 3 Keen; 4 Undesired; 5 Content; 8 Retain; 11 Detriment; 13 At hand; 14 Through; 16 Waive; 18 Tray; 20 Ask.

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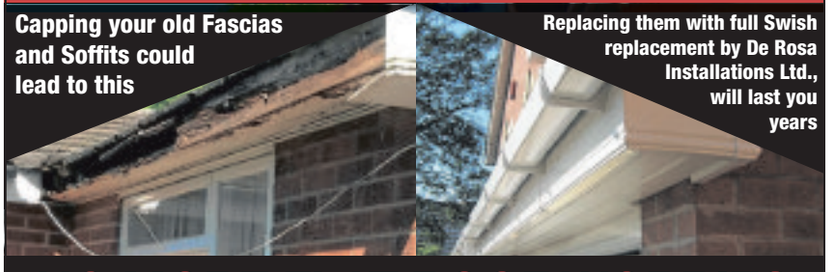
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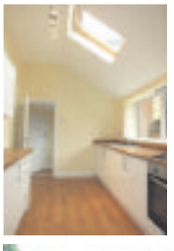
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Tiger is a winning formula

By John Griffiths

Triumph is not only the maker's name but a word which could well describe the company's all-new Tiger Explorer.

The 'Tiger' is really like a family name more than any indicator that this is a hastily redesigned version of the familiar 1,050cc three-cylinder machine to widen sales opportunities in the expanding adventure market.

In fact it's powered by a brand new 1,215cc unit (three cylinders, of course) which sets the Triumph apart from most rivals in this class simply in terms of power and torque. With 135bhp on tap, the Explorer is knocking on the door of superbike territory.

Powerful

That makes it almost a third more powerful than the biggest seller in this category and the bike which set the benchmark, the BMW GS, whose sales soared after Ewan McGregor and Charlie Boorman rode a pair of them around the world.

The new Explorer is unashamedly designed to steal sales from the German machine, so it's no surprise that Triumph has also produced a high specification which includes heated grips, ABS, adjustable traction control, cruise control and 'fly by wire' throttle as standard.

The new 1,215cc engine, fitted with balancer shafts for smoother running, is something of a gem. Running at a low 3,000rpm in top (sixth) gear, it can be a lazy man's machine, with just a small movement on the throttle required to unleash the torque needed for a quick overtake.

Drop a gear and use the revs, and it surges forward like a sports machine. The bike has a sort of Jekyll and Hyde character which will satisfy most types of roads, the rider whatever mood you happen to be in, and whatever the circumstances.

The engine is capable of unleashing a wave of torque which starts at an incredibly low 2,500 revs and continues right up the range. You could ride it quite satisfactorily as a 'top gear' bike but you'd be missing out on the gorgeous growl from the Arrow exhaust at higher revs.

The six-speed gearbox is one of the smoothest, notch-free units I've found on a two wheeler. At first I thought top could have been a bit higher, to aid economy (about 48mpg for me). But in fact at 70mph the rev counter shows just a little over 3,000rpm – it's just that there's so much torque on tap you're deceived into thinking the ratio is lower.

The Explorer, like its rivals, is a tall bike. The standard seat is adjustable, but because of my short legs (so my tailor tells me) Stratstone Triumph of Wolverhampton, who loaned their test machine, supplied the 20mm lower option.

Yet in spite of its obvious height and weight, the Explorer is perfectly balanced so that it doesn't become tiring to ride for long periods over twisty roads, such as the by-roads of Wales.

In fact it took a mile or two for my subconscious to adjust to the fact that once in motion it is actually very light and agile: not what I expected at all. It feels altogether like a smaller bike, for example Suzuki's 600 V-Strom, and inspires a lot of confidence. It's great fun, too.

The traction control system (with two settings) didn't intervene during my miles with the Triumph, but I can see the potential advantage in avoiding spinning up the back wheel on wet roads. Riders of 100bhp-plus bikes will be aware of just how easily that happens: and it's likely to be even more welcome for riders who do venture off-road.

Triumph was able to use traction control and cruise control because of the new throttle system: there's no traditional cable, it's all done by electronics. It doesn't feel much different – just a bit lighter – but it does make throttle response very smooth and consistent.

The riding position is upright, keeping your back straight, which I find so much more comfortable after a few hours in the saddle – the type of ride this machine is designed for. The bars are straight and wide, ideal for fine control and stability.

The screen is easily adjustable through a range of angles. For me the midway position offered plenty of protection from wide blast without causing any buffeting or extra noise around my helmet.

The cruise control and comprehensive trip meter (including a 'miles to empty' feature) are operated by buttons next to the grips where they can be easily operated with a thumb.



'The new 1,215cc engine, fitted with balancer shafts for smoother running, is something of a gem'

The indicators are self-cancelling, a system which in this case actually works, but if you don't like that you can easily change back to the old manual system.

It's another example of the amount of thought Triumph has put into developing a new machine to take on BMW at its own game. There are other pointers, too, such as the larger capacity battery and alternator in anticipation of riders not only taking up the option of heated seats but also heated clothing. There's a quick headlamp adjustment, too, for when you have a passenger.

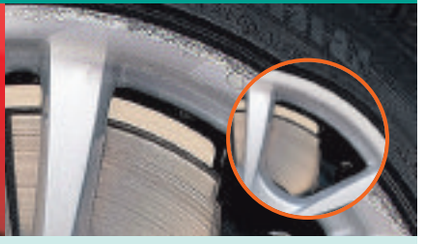
Stratstone Triumph say that the Explorer is already winning over customers and I'm not surprised. The Hinckley-based manufacturer has undoubtedly taken a look at what's best in the adventure market and what riders want, and put a great deal of time and thought into doing something to beat that.

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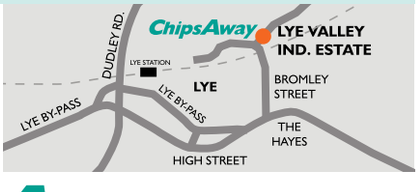
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Desirable Evoque is still leader of the pack

By Pete Carroll





Can it really be six years since the prototype for the Evoque was unveiled by Land Rover?

It certainly is.

Yet three years on from its launch proper, the baby Range Rover continues to turn heads wherever it goes.

This 'crossover' SUV, with its angular looks and lack of proper four-wheel drive at the bottom of the range, may not have appealed to diehard mud-plugging Land Rover fans.

But the new car's radical styling (close to the original LRX concept) and premium quality ensured the Evoque became an instant hit with buyers, even though it had the misfortune to be launched during the biggest economic turndown in living memory.

Despite its aggressive looks the Evoque is not a particularly large car, being barely longer than a Focus or Golf. Nor is it especially tall – it's shorter than a BMW X3 or Audi Q5, for example, and a full eight inches shorter than a regular Range Rover.

But its narrow windows and high door handles, combined with the outsize 20-inch wheels fitted to the test car, give the impression of height and stature.

One of the trade-offs for the rakish styling is poor visibility to the rear but you can't have everything. There are cameras and sensors to help you park in any case.

The other down side is a relative lack of boot space but this is a feature common to many of the Evoque's competitors.

Inside, cabin quality is excellent and the test model came with a panoramic glass roof, which has proved a popular option with buyers. It does not open, but really does add a touch of class to the cabin.

I found it easy to find a comfortable driving position and was relieved at the huge size of the wing mirrors, which help improve visibility.

The dashboard is relatively uncluttered compared with some of the high-end Range Rovers and there's plenty of storage room for nicknacks.

Pioneering

In 190bhp 2.2 diesel form the Evoque is lovely to drive. There's enough power to get you to 60mph in eight seconds and the handling is fine for an SUV. The cabin is refined and there's notably less roll than on some previous Land Rover models.

In Dynamic form, the Evoque comes with full four-wheel drive as well as Land Rover's pioneering Terrain Response system.

This means it is more than capable off-road and can wade through up to half a metre of water when required.

Economy is reasonable rather than spectacular – expect 40-45mpg.

Having really hit the spot with the Evoque, Land Rover has given it a modest facelift for 2014. There's a range of new colours and wheels and new electronic features, as well as an app that tells you where you've parked your car.

Perhaps the most important feature, however, is the new nine-speed 'Quickshift' gearbox from ZF which boosts economy and makes for more refined cruising.

I found it a slick system which lives up to its name, with little jerkiness and barely any tendency to shift gear awkwardly mid-bend.

These small updates help boost an already compelling package.

Yes, some might argue that the Evoque does not do much more than, say, a Qashqai, which is available at around half the price.

The counter to this is that with a fistful of options (active lights, intelligent pack, luxury pack etc) the Evoque starts to feel like one of the more upmarket Range Rovers – for around half the price.

In short, there are few cars in its class which can touch the Evoque for desirability, which is why it will continue to sell well – and hold its value too

If you require extra space and practicality consider a Freelander or perhaps a Discovery.

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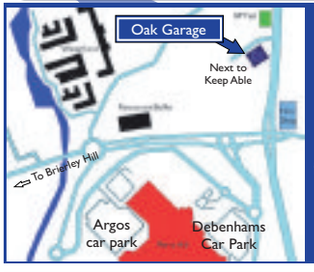
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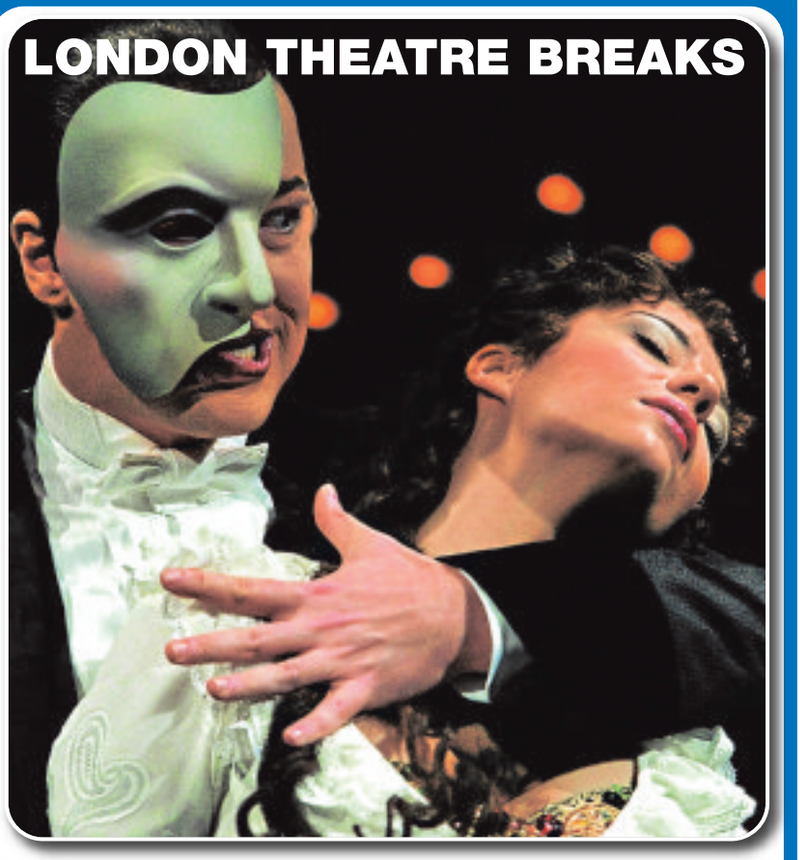
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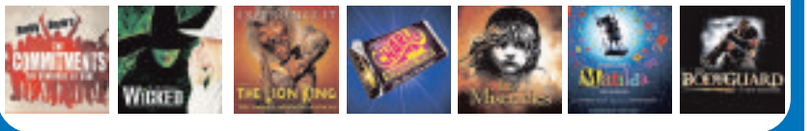
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Rugby club welcoming special guest

Rugby

DUDLEY Kingswinford Rugby Club will be playing host to a special guest next month.

On September 19 DK will welcome England rugby head coach Stuart Lancaster who will host an evening dedicated to the sport, together with other special guests which are yet to be announced.

Coach Lancaster will speak of England rugby as the squad leads up to their Autumn internationals and the next rugby world cup which will be held in England in 2015.

Lancaster is a personal friend of Carl Douglas, DK's new director of rugbyand it is hoped that Mr Lancaster will spend the afternoon at the club prior to the dinner and work with the junior sections as well as meet members of the club and sponsors as part of the build up to DK's new season.

Tickets to the event, which starts at 7:30 pm and includes a three course meal, will soon be available from the club for £60 each or tables of 10 at £550. Gold, silver and bronze tables will also be available whereby diners will be joined by either Mr Lancaster or one of the other special guests. For further information, please contact Roger Shakespeare by email dkrfclancaster@gmail.com or telephone 07779923687.

Carl Douglastook on the new role of director of rugby starting in May following the club's decision to fill a need to oversee the provision of high quality coaching, team performance, and to set strategy and the long term development of its players.

Douglas is an RFU Level 5 qualified coach,who has many years of experience as a head rugby coach and player development manager for premier league rugby teams.

Last season was an extremely testing time for DK.

With a strong track record of developing young players to fulfil their true potential, Douglas' remit will be to recruit new, as well as develop current players, building the cub's long-term potential with a view to coming back into level 4 at the earliest opportunity.

Ed Parry, DK's First team captain said, "After what has been a long and tough season this year, the players are excited to welcome Carl to lead us towards success in the team's next chapter."

Yeltz duo will face tough test in league

HALESOWEN TOWN chairman Colin Brookes believes striking duo Iyseden Christie and Ben Haseley will face tougher tests in the Evo-Stik Northern Premier League this season.

Between them Christie and Haseley bagged 59 goals as Halesowen clinched the Evo-Stik Division One South title last year.

The club have won one, drawn two and lost two in pre-season ahead of the visit of Hednesford Town tonight in their final pre-season fixture. It's a 7.45pm kick-off.

Brookes insists the club is excited to begin their new campaign at Skelmersdale United on August 16.

He said: "Iyseden and Ben got almost 60 goals between them. They're both staying with us for this campaign. They'll both come up against more experienced defenders, who have played Football League and Conference football. We don't have anyone else who has played in a higher league than what we've been promoted to other than Leon Mckenzie and Iyseden. For everyone else it will be like two promotions."

Midfielder Danny Bragoli has joined Halesowen from Chasetown.

Glassboys aiming for a spot in play-offs

STOURBRIDGE assistant manager John Ford can't wait for an appetizing clash against FC United of Manchester in the Evo-Stik Northern Premier League this year.

Ford revealed the club is aiming fora play-off challenge this season after a strong pre-season campaign to get them going.

Stourbridge have won four and drawn three with one pre-season game left to play at Romulus in Sutton Coldfield on August 9.

The club kick-off their campaign at home against Whitby Town on August 16, as Ford insists he can't wait for the match.

Ford said: "We have been put in the Evo-Stik Northern Premier Division, which has created a local derby for us against Halesowen Town.

"FC United of Manchester will also be coming to Stourbridge with a following of 500 or 600, which will be very tasty.

"If we can get in the play-offs then that will be a fantastic achievement for us."

Last season's squad have committed to the Glassboys' first Evo-Stik Premier Division campaign apart from Netan Sansara, giving manager Gary Hackett a squad of 20 players to choose from.

Hot Summers' night that was knockout

TIPTON'S Ricky Summers saved his best knockout for his big break on TV as opponent Curtis Gargano was counted out in front of the BoxNation cameras.

The two engaged in a slugfest before the finish came, four rounds into a scheduled six, at Wolverhampton Civic Hall last night, writes Craig Birch.

Summers, the only Black Country boy on the bill, was risking a proposed title shot at Dudley's The Venue on September 19 to compete in front of a national audience.

Boxing

He refused to get drawn into a brawl with Gargano, who replaced Mitch Mitchell for the light-heavyweight contest, and took him out with just 20 seconds of the fourth session left.

Summers said: "I will enjoy this and then turn my focus towards the next fight night in Dudley.

"Hopefully, all of my supporters can follow me on that journey as well."

A cagey first round saw Summers stay patient behind the jab, as Gargano got on his toes and made himself a moving target.

The Mancunian tried to wind Summers up by imploring him to 'come on' at the end of the second round, after tasting a right uppercut flush to the jaw.

Summers' head was rocked back as one shot from a Gargano flurry slipped through, but good combination punching reminded him who was boss during this battle.

With the bit between his teeth, Summers bided his time waiting for the opportune moment to come when he could crumple up Gargano with a loaded right hook to the ribs, forcing him to take a knee.

He made some attempts to rise to his feet but had no real interest in continuing, failing to beat referee Terry O'Connor's call to 10.

Summers said; "He just stopped behind his guard and kept it nice and tight, he just survived.

"People like that stop you performing at your best.

"I am a counter-puncher, I show my power when people come on to me," said Summers.

"When I am chasing people around the ring, it's harder to get your shots off. He caught me in the second round but it wasn't much of a shot, I've had harder spars.

"I kept on picking my shots until I could finish him off.

"I waited to throw that right hook. It's no good trying for the same shot during the fight, it came as a surprise and it did the job," added the winner.

"I am glad he got up and the referee stopped it, I would have hurt the lad if he had carried on."

Teenage golfer is record-breaker



Golfer Richard Shaw,from Wombourne, who has broken the course record at Enville Golf Course, Highgate Common

A YOUNG barman has broken a golf course record – despite only taking up the game four years ago.

Richard Shaw took 66 shots to make his way around the Lodge course at Enville Golf Club during a round. The previous record was 67.

The 18-year-old, who plays off a handicap of zero, hopes the achievement will be a step towards becoming a professional. Richard, who works at the golf club bar, started playing golf while at Ellowes Hall Sports College in Dudley, first at Sedgley Golf Club and then moving to Enville.

Richard, who lives with his parents in Wombourne Park, said: "My mates were playing and I decided to come along one day and hit some balls, I haven't looked back since. It's taken a lot of hard work and patience but my game feels like its continuing to improve."

Breaking the course record is even more remarkable for Richard as the 11th hole has been extended. The previous record had been held by Chris Elston for around eight years.

Richard, who plays golf every day, came second in the Staffordshire Boys Golf Tournament in Penn last year and has won a competition at Copt Heath Golf Club in Solihull.

The breaking of the course record at Enville Golf Club will be recognised with a plaque at the clubhouse.

Stourbridge innings hit by weather

Bromsgrove 2nd XI 103-4
Stourbridge 2nd XI 97-7
(Bromsgrove win)

RETURNING from his first team duties skipper Mikesh Jivan-Patel took a revamped side away to Bromsgrove and came back defeated.

Stourbridge's plans to pose a stronger challenge were failed by the weather. Losing the toss Stourbridge then were faced with adverse conditions for batting on the day.

Opening Left hander Ryan Willetts top score with 32 as rest of the team collapsed.

Spinner James Wood took all three wickets to fall but No.3 Duncan Roke survived not out on 54 to see his team home in the 16th over

Late score for Tipton gains point

NEW-LOOK Tipton Town opened their Midland League Premier Division campaign with a 2-2 draw at Loughborough University.

Tipton took the lead when Danny Carey-Bertram kept his cool to finish after being played in by Matt Ellis.

Loughborough pulled back right on half-time when James Smith upended Jason Davis and Kamran Frost levelled from the spot.

Hesitancy in the Tipton penalty area in the 56th minute proved their undoing, Daniel Brennan putting the home side in front from close range.

Three minutes from time Josh March drove home after a free-kick was only partly cleared to earn the visitors a point.

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Score by Dukes rescues the Tivs

Tividale 1
Halesowen Town 1

A goal in the 89th minute from Matt Jukes rescued a draw for Tividale, who played several trialists against a team who will line up one league above them this season.

Tividale were playing their second game in a week after a 7-1 romp at Bromsgrove Sporting and the visitors were also in good pre-season form, having beaten Stourport 6-0 in their last game.

The game started brightly, both teams looking lively but it was Halesowen who took the lead on 18 minutes when Tividale goalkeeper Charlie Price failed to deal with a routine free kick and Iyseden Christie tapped the ball home.

Price was replaced in goal by Tom Turner for the second half.

But neither could find the breakthrough until Juke's last minute header at the far post.

A worry for Halesowen was midfielder Aaron Forde going off with a hamstring injury.

Halesowen: Sargeant, Green, Griffiths, Forde, Hull, Tilt, Bragoli, Turner, Christie, Thompson Brown, Till

Subs: Lait, Pearson, Mackenzie, Tonks, Haseley, Kettle, Bowen.

Ellie grabs gold gong

WALSALL'S Ellie Simmonds, Steph Slater and Susie Rodgers won gold for Great Britain on the first day of the IPC Swimming European Championships in Eindhoven.

Paralympic and world champion Simmonds took the 400m freestyle S6 title in five minutes 28.31 seconds, Rodgers won the 400m freestyle S7 and Slater took the women's S8 100m backstroke

Simmonds, 19, was "really happy" to win gold, but said: "It was a rubbish swim. I'm not happy with the time."

Rodgers said: "It was one of those ones where you don't know what is going to happen.

"I had a race plan and I'm pleased with how it went. It was a good time. We are going in the right direction."

The championships run until Sunday, 10 August.

All contract talks are on hold, Jackett

Football

WOLVES boss Kenny Jackett has told captain Sam Ricketts all contract talks are on hold until October.

Both parties are keen for Ricketts, who is into the final year of his deal, to stay at Molineux for the rest of his career.

But the head coach wants to get the crucial first two months of the Championship season behind them first without any additional distractions to knock them off the promotion course.

"It's great Sam feels that way because he's settled in very well at the club both on and off the pitch," said Jackett.

"His challenge, like all of us, is to have a successful August and September.

"That's what we're focusing on at the moment and Sam's a big part of that.

"We'll see where we are through August and September, definitely.

"So there's been nothing yet. He's just over halfway through his contract and he's done very well for us."

Meanwhile, Jackett wants to keep Dominic Iorfa at the club rather than send him out on loan. The powerful 19-year-old centre-back made an impressive debut in Tuesday night's 1-0 win at Oxford alongside fellow academy graduate Ethan Ebanks-Landell, who captained the team for the first time.

Jackett has already allowed homegrown youngsters Zeli Ismail, Jake Cassidy and another centre-half, Kortney Hause, to be loaned out until January.

But he believes former Southend youth-teamer Iorfa's development will be best served in-house.

"We'll see but I don't think so (be loaned out) – I think he has to concentrate on working in our Under-21s at the moment," said the boss.

"We've let Kortney Hause go out on loan so I don't think at the moment that will be the case.

"But for him I was very pleased – both him and Ethan were pluses for us on Tuesday night."

Wolves' first-team squad returned to full training last week in preparation for the friendly at home to Celta Vigo after the club golf day at Astbury Hall. The La Liga side will also play Norwich.

STOURBRIDGE GET BRAGGING RIGHTS

Stourbridge 1st XI 168-4 Halesowen 1st XI 165-7 (Stourbridge win)

STOURBRIDGE reserved the bragging rights by defeating Halesowen for the second time this season.

The derby was curtailed to 38 overs a side due to rain. Stour's win poses further difficulties for Halesowen at the bottom of division two of the Birmingham and District league.

Stour climbs up into fourth position on 164 points 21 points behind Penkridge in second spot.

Stour skipper Richard Bradley won the toss and decided to give his bowlers the first go on a track tinged with green grass.

Halesowen openers Will Fraine and Kester Moseley welcomed the decision by putting on 67 at a pace for the first wicket partnership; both were severe on any loose deliveries.

Pavilion

Wise change of bowling from the skipper bringing on Jitesh Jivan-Patel at the pavilion end resulted in the wicket of inform Fraine caught driving for 49.

Alexander had Moseley nicking to slip for 26 in the previous over bowling at the same end.

The dominance by the openers was undermined as skipper Faisal Sahid was brilliantly snapped up low down in the slips for four off second change Bilal Hassan who had replaced Ikram Mudassaq at the football stand end

Zain Shahid and Mark Hutchinson No.4 and 5

Cricket

threatened to take the game away from Stour but Patel struck again getting rid of Hutchinson for 15 ,trying to up the scoring rate smartly caught in the deep for 15.

Stour openers Alex Bingham and Steve Game made the poorest of starts going out LBW to the first delivery faced from Eddie Rhodes.

Sixteen runs later Rhodes clipped the off stump of Alex Bingham for seven.

Making best of the conditions Rhodes from the pavilion end had one to lift at skipper Richard Bradley caught behind for two. Halesowen stepped up to avoid relegation had Stour struggling 24-3.

A massive turning point came when the left hander Audy Alexander was dropped at mid on with Stour score creeping up to 30 off 11 overs.

At 19 overs when the drinks were taken Stour moved on to 65-3 with Alexander and Jitesh Jivan-Patel stabilising Stour's innings.

Patel helped to turn the match around with 3 superb boundaries breaking the opposition stronghold.

Baggies aiming to complete double deal



Youssouf Mulumbu, left, and Sebastien Pocognoli showing off Albion's new away kit which goes on sale on Friday, August 15

ALBION were hoping to complete the signing of Jason Davidson as Cristian Gamboa faced D-Day on his proposed move to The Hawthorns.

The full-backs were set to get the final go-ahead for their transfers as record signing Brown Ideye headed for England after receiving his long-awaited visa.

Davidson flew into England on Monday for a medical after the Baggies made a breakthrough in their talks with Dutch club Heracles Almelo. And the Baggies were tying up the loose ends of the 23-year-old's move.

Davidson's move to the Premier League was expected to cost the Baggies a nominal fee to break the impasse in his contract dispute with Heracles. He claimed he was a free agent while the Dutch side insisted they had activated an option for an extra season, meaning Albion officials stepped in last week to broker a compromise.

Boss Alan Irvine wants the Aussie World Cup full-back to compete with fellow new-boy Sebastien Pocognoli for the left-back berth.

Ideye's frustrating wait to join his new team-mates is set to end after the 25-year-old tweeted yesterday to reveal his visa had been issued.

He said: "So happy to announce that my visa has been issued.

Offer for Dawson rejected

ALBION have rejected a third bid from Burnley for defender Craig Dawson.

It's understood the newly-promoted Clarets' latest offer is in excess of £1.5m for the 24-year-old.

Other, higher-ranked clubs are now showing an interest in the former England Under-21 international and are prepared to pay more than Burnley.

But while Dawson appears to be edging closer to The Hawthorns exit door, another stopper made his debut for the club.

Lescott is fit again after a calf injury sidelined him from the behind-closed-doors 2-0 win over Bury on July 12, while captain Chris Brunt is available following a hernia operation.

Victor Anichebe has been struggling with illness but is hopeful of playing a part against Forest.

But there is no eagerly-awaited debut at the City Ground for £10m new signing Brown Ideye as he is still in Nigeria awaiting his work permit.

Stephane Sessegnon will also miss out again due to his involvement with Benin in their African Nations Cup qualifier with Malawi .

Tongo to stay for time being

TONGO DOUMBIA seems set to stay at Wolves for the time being.

Reports from France claimed the midfielder had agreed personal terms on a move to Lens.

But the former Rennes player appeared for Wolves in the Under-21s friendly at Hednesford where they were beaten 1-0.

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